The Erie Observer.

SATURDAY, MARCH 19, 1864.

Send in the Returns.

We desire to obtain a full report of the result of the local elections throughout the county, at the earliest period possible. Our friends in the various boroughs and townships will oblige us by sending on the full returns, immediately after they have been ascertained.

MILL CREEK.—The Democratic citizens of Mill Creek township, assembled at the Town Hall, on Saturday afternoon last, and made the following nominations, to be supported on *Friday* (to-day): Constable, A. Thayer; Road Commissioner, Thomas Davison; School Directors, F. W. Koehler, R. W. Laird, John Salmon; Auditor, John Burton; Assessor, Jas C Graham; Assistant Assessors, John Burton, Uras Schluraff; Judge of Election, William Henry; Inspector, J. W Koehler; Treasurer, V. Schultz, Jr; Town Clerk, F. W Koehler. The Democrats intend opposing the proposed division of the township

BENER & BURGESS' COLUMN.—We call particular notice to the column advertisement of Messrs. Bener & Burgess, a firm which we have frequently commended to patronage heretofore These gentlemen are among the very few business men in our city who appreciate the advantage of extensive advertising, and they do so because they have tried it and found it to work as they desired. The trade of their establishment has more than doubled within the year they have conducted the store, and though much of their success is due to the skill and public spirit of the proprietors, they will not hesitate to say that a great degree of it is owing to liberal advertising. They show their faith in the matter by engaging an entire column for a year, and we heartily trust that the money they invest may bring them back a hundred fold.

FIRE MEETING.—Another meeting for the 1st District was held in the Common Council room, on Tuesday evening, to make arrangements for organizing a fire company. The Committee appointed at the previous meeting to obtain signatures, reported that forty-seven persons had signed the roll. A Committee of five was selected to report a Constitution and By-Laws at the next meeting. Adjourned until Tuesday evening next. Directions were given to have the roll placed in Ensign's book store for the signatures of any who may wish to join the company.

We think we are warranted in saying that this company *will not* be a failure. The gentlemen who are active in its organization are men of energy, who are determined to carry the movement through, if there is a possibility of doing so. We have heard of no action being taken in any of the other districts.

CITY ELECTION.—At a meeting of gentlemen in favor of city improvements, the following ticket was decided upon, to be supported irrespective of party:

1*st Dist.*—Select Council, Grove H. Johnson; Common Council, Joseph McCarter, R. J Pelton.

3*d Dist.*—Select Council, Wm. R. Davenport; Common Council, Wm. S. Brown, M. Hartleib

4*th Dist.*—Select Council, John Moore; Common Council, L. A. Morrison.

The following is the Democratic ticket in the 2d district, the only one in which the party had made nominations up to the hour at which we went to press:

Select Council—C. Englehart; Common Council, Joseph Eichenlaub; Judge, W. Babo; Inspector, S. Kirchner. (For East Ward)—School Directors, John Geusheimer, John W. Shannon; Assessor, J. J. Fuesler; Assistants, Philip Schaaf, G. A. Bennett.

The candidates for Mayor are P. Metcalf, the present incumbent, and C. McSparren, both Republicans, the former the regular opposition candidate, and the latter independent. *Geo. W. Gunnison, Esq., has announced* himself as a People's candidate for Justice of the Peace, in the West Ward.

LOCAL ELECTIONS.—The following are the Democratic nominations in the districts named:

Union Township—Justice of the Peace, Moses Smiley, R. B. Adams; Constable, C. E. Parker; Road Commissioner, D. O. Carle; School Directors, Samuel Breed, Louis McLean; Auditor, James Shreves; Assessor, Charles Breed; Assistant Assessors, George Smiley, Josiah Shreves; Judge of Election, Richard Shreves; Inspector of Election, Wm. A. Gillet; Town Treasurer, George Smiley; Town Clerk, Wm. Hall.

Union Borough—Burgess, H. L. Church; Justice of the Peace, W. E. McLean; Judge of Election, P. K. Webber; Inspector of Election, Charles Gates; Constable, Wm. N. Bennett; Councilmen, Jonas Humphreys, N. T. Hume, John Smiley, C. W. McLean, E. W. Webber; High Constable, J. S. Huntley; Assessor, Jonathan E. Rowe; Assistant Assessors, A. S. Tillotson, J. S. Huntley; Auditor, Charles Church; Town Clerk, G. Gara Smith; School Directors, P. G. Stranahan, W. T. Everts.

North East Township—Constable, B. A. Tabor; Road Commissioner, Booth Caldwell; Judge of Election, Wm. Custard; Inspector of Election, H. R. Porter; School Directors, S. J. Nash, Dennis Heath; Assessor, Mahlon Barey; Assistant Assessors, J. B. Milliken, Wesley Bingham; Town Treasurer, John Graham; Town Clerk, W. S. Randall; Auditor, James Welch.

Summit—Justice of the Peace, A. O. Hill; Road Commissioner, J. F. L. McClure; Constable, H. W. Hull; Assessor, J. Buys; Assistant Assessors, R. M. C. Tate, H. Ewing; Auditor, H. Ebenhous; Treasurer, J. M. Hull; Town Clerk, L. A. Hull; School Directors, T. J. Curtis, A.W. Graham; Judge of Election, N. Henry; Inspector of Election, J. Kelly.

GREENE—Justice, *H. L.* Pinney; Road Commissioner, B. Allgier; Assessor, Hosea Drown; Assistants, G. C. Barney, Amos Church; Clerk, P. F. I. Brown; Treasurer, Cyril Drown; Auditor, Martin Pinney; Judge, James Caveny; Inspector, John H. Tate.

CANAL BRIDGES.—The following is the bill which has passed the Legislature requiring the Erie Canal Company to "Construct and repair the bridges, made necessary by the construction of their canal:"

That the Erie Canal Company be, and they are hereby required to build, repair and keep in repair all bridges over their Canal on public roads and streets crossing the same, and also all bridges crossing the French Creek feeder made necessary by reason of the construction of the Canal and feeder; and if said Canal Company should at any time refuse or neglect to build, repair or keep in repair any of the said bridges, then the proper authorities now having charge of the said bridges shall build, repair or keep in repair, the said bridges and shall keep an accurate account of the expenses of the same, which said expenses shall be a lien on all the property, rights and franchises of said Company in the same manner as taxes are now by law a lien thereon, and shall be collected from the said Company in the same manner as taxes are now by law collected from corporations within the Commonwealth, or may be recovered by a sale at law as debts of like amount are by law recoverable.

READER, STOP AND THINK.—We suppose the most of our readers buy and use D. B. Deland & Co's *Chemical Saleratus*, but if there are any of you who do not, just stop and think that impure saleratus is very detrimental to the health of yourself and family, while the Chemical Saleratus is as pure as snow, and is therefore perfectly healthy. It is manufactured at Fairport, Monroe Co., N. Y., and for sale by most merchants and grocers in the country.

The Meadville Riot.

The Meadville *Republican* of last week gives the following particulars of the late riot in that borough. We are glad to learn that the reports which reached this city were much exaggerated:

"Our town was disgraced by a series of fights on Tuesday and Tuesday evening, the 8th inst., between recruits and railroad hands. The principal cause of the trouble may be expressed in two words—bad whiskey. Hundreds of young men having enlisted, and with the local bounty of one or two hundred dollars in their pockets, were compelled to wait here until transportation could be furnished them. This interval too many of them employed in exchanging their money for bad whiskey, and as usual some of them felt full of fight, and in a town of this size, no one is allowed to spoil for lack of some one to fight them The Railway depot was the main point of attraction, and their being occasionally noisy in that neighborhood led to numerous squabbles between the recruits and railroad hands. These quarrels culminated on Tuesday afternoon in a party of recruits driving a gang of Irishmen from their work, and in the Irishmen in the evening, aided by some roughs among our citizens, making an indiscriminate attack upon soldiers wherever found on the streets. As usual in such cases, innocent parties, rather than guilty, received punishment. Pistols, pick-handles, and bricks were freely used. One of the railroad employees, named Skelley, was shot in the groin, and now lies, in a critical condition, at the McHenry House. A soldier, named ———, was shot in the back, but the ball, striking a rib, followed it round to the front, and was extracted. Three or four soldiers were knocked down and beaten, some of them badly, but except Skelley, no one was dangerously injured.

"It is almost miraculous that so few were shot, for at one time, on Chestnut street, the firing sounded very like a picket skirmish.

"A purpose was entertained among the recruits, of whom there were some three hundred in town, to 'clean out' the railway men altogether on Wednesday evening, but on that evening the majority of them were sent off, and through the exertions of the officers, the balance were kept at the Arsenal, so that no further disturbance has occurred."

☞ The *Gazette* says:

"It is alleged that the friends—very indiscreet friends—of General Fremont now propose to bring him forward as a candidate for President without reference to the Union National Convention; and that to this end a Mass Convention has been called at Cleveland on the 10th of May next, hoping thereby to forestall the legitimate action of the party in June. This would be worse than folly—worse even, if possible, than Southern treason—much worse than the vilest form of Copperheadism.

Singular to say, the adherents of Gen. Fremont use almost precisely the same terms relative to the friends of Mr. Lincoln. Now, when "loyal" men get to calling each other "copperheads," traitors, &c., who is to decide which is the real "loyal" party? Indications begin to appear that the two wings of the Jacobin's will ere long, be heaping more nasty epithets on one another's heads than they have ever applied *to Democrats* even. It is very strange what a fancy the party embodying all the humanity, intelligence, patriotism, piety and heroism of the North have for fishwomen's phrases.

MALIGNANT DISEASE.—A malignant and fatal disease, styled by some "black fever," now prevails in Luzerne and Wayne counties, and other sections of Northern Pennsylvania.—Scores of homes have already been desolated, and in some places the deaths average six per day. The disease closely resembles a very malignant type of scarlet fever, and its ravages are confined almost entirely to children, and, as far as observed, only to those who have not previously had the scarlet fever.—The victim is seized with an intense pain in some part of the body—generally at the head—and in most cases, if not at once relieved, dies in from twenty to thirty hours. After death the body becomes more or less black, a circumstance which has given rise to the name of the disease.—*Exchange.*

We assure our cotemporary that the "black fever" is not a new disease in this section of the State. It has prevailed here in an aggravated form a number of years.

A negro deputation from Louisiana has called on the President, asking that the free negroes of that State may be allowed to vote. He received the deputation "cordially," but informed them that it was not a "military necessity," and would be left to the Louisiana State Convention.

Lest our readers should think the above a joke, got up by some disloyal "copperhead," and put in the President's mouth for malicious purposes, we state that it is copied from the Harrisburg *Telegraph*, the central State Jacobin organ.

TIONESTA OIL TERRITORY.—The regions around the confluence of the Tionesta and Allegheny, is one of the most promising regions for oil on the river. The old Hunter well has been steadily producing for three years, and the few wells drilled two years ago, were as promising as those on Oil Creek at that time, but the price of oil being very low operations ceased. Now the river wells are being revived, we have no doubt but these wells will change hands, and be put in operation. The Tionesta for ten miles above its mouth has a good show of oil and gas. Wells have been drilled and oil procured in paying quantities, even at three dollars a barrel.—*Oil City Monitor.*

A FREIGHT CAR SMASHED.—About 9 o'clock Friday night, the Cincinnati Express Train on the Lake Shore Road due here at 9:45, ran into an empty freight car on the covered bridge at Irving Station, smashing the car and doing some damage to the locomotive. The train was delayed for over three hours in consequence of the accident. The passengers on the Express Train scarcely felt the jar, and neither fright nor injury followed the collision. It is supposed that the high wind prevailing at the time propelled the freight car from a side track out upon the main. The damage is entirely confined to the freight car, and the smoke stack and pilot of the engine "Comet."—*Buffalo Courier.*

THE AMERICAN MONTHLY.—This magazine, says the *Journal of Commerce*, is the old *Knickerbocker*, under new and able management. One cannot take up this ancient favorite without a pleasant recollection of Geoffrey Crayon and the good old times and principles which he loved. Henceforth the American Monthly will defend these principles manfully. It is to be sustained by a corps of the ablest conservative men in the country, and its patriotism will be of a higher order than the one idea patriotism of other magazines. We recommend it heartily to suppert. The present number is very readable and strong.

COMPLIMENTARY.—The 111th Pennsylvania volunteers, numbering three hundred and twenty-five men, under the command of Col. G. A. Cobham, reported at the barracks yesterday morning, on the way to the front. The 28th Pennsylvania veterans, General Geary's old regiment, arrived on Saturday night, and leaves for the front this morning on the Nashville train. Both of these regiments are an honor to the Keystone State.—*Louisville Journal, March 7.*

GEN. GRANT.—The editor of the Pittsburg *Chronicle*, who saw Gen. Grant when he passed through that city, says he is a man of less than medium stature and very modest demeanor. He wears his beard clipped short, and there is nothing whatever about him, beyond the stars on his shoulder, to indicate his rank.

The Richmond *Whig* of March 9th says that it will take about a week more to rebuild the railroad to Lee's army. Lee has sent out his cavalry in all directions to seize everything in the shape of forage and subsistence for his troops. The circuitous route that everything has to come over by railroad renders it impossible for Lee to secure enough over one line to keep his army from suffering, and the farmers in the vicinity are appealed to come forward with provisions for the troops.

LOCAL PARAGRAPHS.

☞ Geo. H. Cutler, Esq., of Girard, is recovering from his late severe illness.

☞ The Albany *Argus* styles the Pomeroy circular "Greek fire thrown into the Lincoln camp."

☞ Mr. Bell has received a large stock of new goods to which he solicits the attention of the ladies.

☞ The First National Bank of Girard is to increase its capital to $150,000. The business must pay.

☞ We understand that Rev. Dr. Ferrester closes his connection with the Universalist Church of this city on the 1st of April.

☞ The Comet which is creating such a stir in astronomical circles is rapidly approaching the earth, and can soon be seen.

☞ Fresh maple sugar and molasses are beginning to appear in considerable plenty. The price asked is rather steep, however.

☞ All fruit trees have military propensities. When young they are well trained; they produce many kernels; and their shoots are very straight.

☞ Mr. Greeley doesn't say, "*God bless* Abraham Lincoln," now. It's another kind of an expression, not quite so pious, but more sincere.

☞ The next annual fair of the Crawford County Agricultural Society will be held at Conneautville on the 5th, 6th and 7th of October, 1864.

☞ The Conneautville *Record* learns that "another daily train will be put on the Erie & Pittsburg R. R. soon, the increasing business of the road demanding the addition.

☞ We are gratified to learn that the subscription for the relief of the Messrs. Griswold, late of the Reed House, has reached the amount of nearly a thousand dollars.

☞ The robins are returning—sure indication that spring is nigh at hand. We saw one on Saturday, as lively and happy looking as a freshly married man in the first month of the honey moon.

☞ The Petroleum *Reporter*, published at Titusville, is offered for sale, the editor having embarked in other and more profitable (we presume) business. The location we judge to be a good one.

☞ The population of Canada consists of 2,697,157; of whom 1,396,091 inhabit the Upper and 1,111,566 the Lower provinces. The Irish born population amount to 50,250, and the colored people 12,000. The city of Montreal figures 90,398; Quebec 51,190; and Toronto 44,831.

☞ Messrs. J. W. Hawkins & Co., of Albion, are manufacturing a new article of blacking, which is destined, if a vigorous attempt is *made to introduce it, to take the "shine" out* of all other kinds. As a leather preservative, it is claimed to be without an equal.

☞ We have selected Mr. C. E. Lincoln as one of our agents at Albion, who is authorised to receive money on subscription, job work or advertising, and receipt for the same. We hope to obtain a large addition to our list from that part of the county.

☞ Those persons, says an exchange, who have reached the age of forty five since the last draft, should at once go before a magistrate and make oath to the fact, and have their names stricken from the enrollment books. This course would save inconvenience to themselves and the draft officers.

☞ We are gratified to learn that the Rev. Mr. Cain will enter upon his duties as Pastor of Park Church the coming Sabbath. We congratulate the church in securing the services of such an eloquent speaker and eminent scholar. We trust his future labors may fully sustain his high reputation.

☞ At Buffalo a gentleman mounted a barrel of lard to hear and see, on the occasion of a public reception. As he was listening to the speeches the barrel-head gave way, and he slid easily and noiselessly up to his vest pockets into the barrel. It was the quickest trip on record—one minute in Buffalo, the next in Greece.

☞ The type of an Honest Man should be Nonpariel.
The type of a Maiden should be Paragon.
The type of a Mother should be Double Paragon.
The type of a Baby should be Small Caps.
The type of an Old Maid Large Caps.
The type of Boots EXCELSIOR, if made by the new plan, by Jos. Eichenlaub, State street.

☞ Our readers will find in to-day's paper the advertisement of the Philadelphia *Age*, a paper which we have heretofore commended to their patronage. The *Age* is the only Democratic daily published in Philadelphia, and in ability, typographical appearance and enterprise is not excelled by any in the city. Those of our citizens wanting a daily Philadelphia paper, should subscribe to the *Age*.

☞ It will be a matter of interest to the entire public to learn that promissory notes of every kind,—large or small,—whether twenty dollars or twenty cents,—require a United States revenue stamp upon them. This is a recent decision of the department at Washington, and our information can be relied upon, as we obtain it direct from the collector's office in this city.

☞ The bill legalizing the action of our county commissioners in offering bounties for volunteers and authorizing them to levy and collect taxes to pay the debt incurred, having passed both branches of the Legislature, and been signed by the Governor, is now a law. The same act legalizes the action of Road Commissioners in the several townships, &c., of the county, offering bounties, and authorizing them to repeat the same whenever they think necessary.

☞ The ladies of Kinsman, O., recently presented the editor of the Warren *Constitution with a cake. The exterior was fair to* look upon, but the interior was filled with cotton, a representation of the Southern Confederacy, with which the editor is supposed to sympathize.—*Exchange.*

The editor of the *Constitution*, not to be outdone in generosity, returned the compliment by sending the ladies an imitation of a man's head, covered with *wool*, typical of the object of their affections.

☞ A friend writing to us from North East says he had supposed that a large number of persons came from that vicinity to this city, expressly to hear Miss Anna Dickinson's "lecture." He finds however, that he was mistaken—they all "came on business," and hearing that Anna was to "speak her piece," concluded to go and hear the "second Joan of Arc." In our own community something like the same state of circumstances is to be seen. Although the Hall was crowded from top to bottom,—seats, aisles, galleries and platform,—it is very rare that you can meet a Republican, who will say that he was present. Strange, isn't it?

☞ It may be of interest to the curious, says the Girard *Union*, to know that the first grist mill built and set in operation in this county was at "Lexington," in Conneaut township, some 45 years ago. The millstones which were brought all the way from Lancaster by an ox-team, are running to this day.—At that time and for some time afterward Lexington was the most pretentious village in the county, and attracted many adventurers and speculators. "But past is all its fame;" its log palaces long since crumbled into ruin and disappeared, and nothing remains of its former grandeur except the name which has just been given to the Post Office now located on the site of the ancient city.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[We invite contributions to this department of the Observer from persons of every shade of opinion—religious political or otherwise,—it being understood, of course, that the Editor is in no way to be held responsible for the views or statements of his correspondents. All articles, to secure insertion, must be accompanied by the real name of the author.]

The Visit of Anna the Prophetess.

Written for the Erie Observer.]

CHAPTER I.

Now it came to pass there was great confusion in the land: a voice of lamentation and weeping was heard on high. Rachel weeping and mourning for her children and refusing to be comforted, because they are not. * * *

Behold a mighty sedition had risen in the land, and the prophecy which was spoken of old, was fulfilled: that brother shall rise up against brother: and a house divided against itself shall fall! * * *

The old men and the young men, the virgins and she that dwelleth in the house with children, held up their hands to the Lord with great lamentation, *calling unto Him to hear them!*

And the priests and the Levites called unto the Lord, saying, How long, Oh, Lord, how long wilt thou be angry and hide thy face from us. How long shall unjust rulers compass the land, slaying our young men and leaving our virgins disconsolate.

Now this was in the reign of Abraham the Lincolnite, surnamed for the freshness of his ruddy face the Cadaverous.

Now Abraham—called by babes and sucklings Honest Abe—was long, but he was not wise. He was like unto the iron cock which sitteth on the housetop, and veereth which way the wind bloweth: yea, whatsoe'r way the wind did blow, that way did he go.

Now the multitude murmured among themselves, saying, Woe! Woe! Our enemies shall slay and slaughter us, and hold dominion over us! For our ruler is blown round like a thistle-down by the wind and if the wind veereth toward the Southern land, Southward will he go. Now this mighty and stable ruler had once said unto himself: Crowning will I crown me with a Scotch cap to make myself beautiful to the daughters of the land, and wrapping a blue garment around my proud form, such as great captains wear, shall I flee from the country of the West. And he fleed!

Then the people shouted and cried, Valorous art thou, Oh, Abraham!

CHAPTER II.

And it came to pass after this, in the third year of his reign, great and dire confusion covered the land over which he reigned. And with loud murmuring the people cried, Deliver us, Oh Abraham, from the sword of our enemies.

Now Abraham had a great issue of Greenbacks, so great that it flooded the land, thick as the plague of the locusts of the Egyptians, and the people murmured against this also.

Now as the people murmured a voice was heard from the East country, crying: "Prepare ye the way! Make straight the path! Sound the trumpet in Zion! Clash the cymbals! Make beautiful music with the harp and timbrels! for behold, Oh, Northernites! I come, a mighty woman, to deliver ye!"

The name of her who came with the flourish of trumpets was Anna the Dickensonite! And the enemies of the Northernites cried in great dismay; "Lo! the Philistines are upon us!"

Now this mighty woman journeyed from Dan to Beersheba, saying, "Come, ye people, to the temples and listen unto me, that ye may be delivered from the hands of your enemies. But before ye come to hear me, thirty-five pence must be delivered into my hands from each one who heareth me gush. For must I not have the wherewith to clothe me in garments of silk, and costly jewels?"

Now it came to pass the thirty-five pence the people delivered unto her, and she gushed;

Crying in the hall of the Farrarite: "Oh, people! make unto yourselves a god, and call him the 'Blameless Ethiope.' Offer him sacrifices of our young men and our men in their prime. Steep his feet in the blood of the flower of our tribe. Let the waves of the tears of Rachel dash at his feet. Sound a trumpet and cry: This be thy God, oh Israel!

And moreover, she said, "Our young men and our men in their prime are warring with our enemies. Pause, oh ye people, and listen. A great thing shall I reveal unto ye! Harken unto it, and smite your breasts! A great sorrow seized upon me when it was revealed unto me.

"Behold our young men and our strong men in their prime weareth *faded blue garments; verily garments from which the sun has taken the color thereof.*

"Weep and rend your garments, oh, ye people! that their vestures have faded! Weep not that thousands and tens of thousands lie rotting on the field of battle the prey of every foul and unclean bird, but that your sorrow be not as the sorrow of the Samaritans, weep and cry that their garments are faded!

And behold! our young men and our strong men in their prime often looketh Northward, yea Northward do they look when the sun of summer shineth on them, and their eyes grow dim with weeping, verily often do they weep and wipe their blue eyes.

Now listen unto me ye people! those fighting men that haveth black eyes are not after mine heart. Moreover they do not weep and wipe their blue eyes with the tails of their faded vestures; nor do they climb the peak of that great mountain called Time, whose top reacheth to the gates of the city of New Jerusalem, and look down the abyss of ages; nor do they walk up to the mouth of that brazen weapon of war whose mouth belcheth forth a great noise and fire called the cannon and get blown into fragments for their valiant bearing; but verily the blue eyed warrior doeth these things and much more.

For do I not hold converse with the mighty captains of the land; and have they not told me this? Yea; much more have they told me, which I shall not repeat.

Now, Abraham is called your ruler; but a good ruler is not he, for crooked are his ways, and not straight.

Aforetimes did I sing a canticle in his favor; but lo! he had deceived me; for corrupt is he at heart! He worshippeth not the God I proclaim unto you, in spirit or in truth!

Moreover, without holding counsel with me, this presumptious ruler hath sent forth a decree which pleaseth me not; nor does it find favor in the sight of the high priests of our God, the Greeleyite and the rest of the priests and Levites who serve in his temple, and they speak great things against it.

Now as they hearkened unto this, great was the wonder of the multitude, and they marvelled greatly in their hearts, saying, Lo! as our fathers have said our swan is a goose!

Hither come we to hear a canticle of Abraham, and behold the priestess of our sable God derideth him with exceeding great scorn. Doth not she veer like the iron cock on the housetop, yea an iron hen is she.

And for this cause the people damned her with faint praise.

Now when the murmurs of the multitude had subsided, she opened her mouth again, saying, Have I not promised to deliver ye for a ransom of thirty-five pence from each one? The way shall I make fair unto ye.

Send your rulers and your mighty captains unto me and I will instruct them in the way they shall go.

And if they follow my counsel and deride it not, great shall their renown be in all lands; and from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed!

For great things will I show unto them! and nations from afar off, will smite their breasts with exceeding great astonishment.

And John, called Bullite, from his great roaring and bellowing, will foam and gnash his teeth, and lose his breath from exceeding great rage, and dying let him die of strangulation. And all who feared him before shall come and kick his carcass, which will smell with an exceeding bad smell, so that they who come to condemn him, will hold their noses between their forefinger and thumb and cry aloud, Lo! the great beast is fallen, is fallen! Then will the Greeleyite and the Sewardite rush to kick him; for is it not written of old that the lion died and lay rolling on the plain.

And behold asses who aforetime fled from his roaring came and kicked at him!

And furthermore, she cried, Oh ye young men and brave men in your prime; have we not read in the book of the Romans, that a young man valiant and strong, brave and comely, jumped into a great hole in the earth which closed over him.

Hear the meaning of this parable. At your feet is a great gulf, and near the gulf a rent, and nigh unto the rent there is a seam; not such a seam as keepeth the faded vesture of the blue eyed warriors together, but a seam which is ripped in the bosom of earth.

Now the voice of the dead cry de profundus, *this* is the manner of the Ladies, saying Come in with us!

Now be ye brave and valiant,—and arm yourselves in complete armor, and mount a prancing steed and, go in! But the young men placed their thumbs on the uttermost point of their noses, and wagging their fingers said, "We don't see it!" But one young man, valiant and brave, moved in spirit as the sayings of the Dickensonite, cried aloud, "Give me one of that tribe called a Cuss, and a fine donkey; adorning them with costly adornments, will I send them in."

But, alas! the Cussite came not, and so none went in! No, not one, not even a donkey.

Now, all this said she to the multitude and much more which this faithful chronicler has not writ.

Many things said she also to the people, and with lightning glances did she glance at the young Levites of the temple of her God, who said like the war horse of whom it is written in the book of Job when he snuffed the battle *from afar*, "Ha! ha!" Then bowing her head as the idols of the tribes of China bow theirs, she departed from the temple.

With silver had the multitude come to buy deliverance, and when they departed, they cried "Lo! we are sold!" And with gnashing of teeth did they leave the temple crying, "We have listened to a false prophetess and our twenty-five pences are gone! Woe is us! We were deluded!"

CHAP. III.

Then came a wise man, saying, "Have ye not heard of old how a beast having long ears, covered himself with the skin of a lion? How all beasts fled afar from him in exceeding great fear; but he kicked up his heels, and opened his mouth, and brayed. And the multitude cried Lo! an ass brayeth.

Now the garment with which this prophetess has clothed herself is the shirt of the high priest of the idol, called "Tribune Gooseliteh, which," being interpreted is, the goose deceiveth the people!

Now forasmuch as ye have come to me for counsel, I shall not refuse it. Be ye not stiffnecked. Be ye steadfast and immoveable in love for your great country. Let not enemies within or without circumvent ye. Woe to those who betray this goodly land into the hands of its enemies. For, like Sampson in the book of the prophets, if the tribes find themselves betrayed into the hands of the Philistines, they will rise blinded with exceeding sorrow and rage, and laying hold of the fair pillars of the beautiful temple of their country, will hurl it down upon their enemies, and lie crushed and dead themselves beneath the ruins.

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*This or words to that effect I heard during her lecture, from an elegant gentleman not far off from where I sat.

MESSRS. EDITORS:—A card in last week's *Gazette*, over the signature of M. Chapin and Dr. S. Dickinson, attracted my attention, and feeling myself somewhat interested in the matter I claim the privilege of saying a word. Their *attempt looks to me* like trying to define the difference between Twiddledum and Twiddledee. What matters it whether it was small pox that Mr. Chapin's family had or something else as bad? It was certainly something that no one else wanted and therefore it became the duty of the family to prevent the exposure of others, which *they did not do.* A person was taken sick at my house a few days after being at his house and was in the room where the sick one was (as they admitted to people without reserve) and on calling a physician he pronounced it small pox. It is true I do not certainly know that she caught the disease there, but she had been exposed no where else, and came down just in time to furnish strong conclusive evidence that *she did.* Dr. Dickinson called to see her some twelve days after she had broken out, and said it was the same disease that they had, and on being questioned as to what it was, he said he thought it an *union of small pox and chicken pox*, and yet in his card he says there was not a *single characteristic of small pox in his* (Chapin's) *family.* Verily consistency is a jewel that few possess. He said further that he considered it about as bad as small pox, and expressed his surprise that there was no more caution used with Mr. Chapin to prevent exposure of others. And I here again ask the question, what mattered it whether they *called* it chicken pox or something else? They undoubtedly deemed it catching and nobody wants such a disease, then why pay so little regard to the safety of others as to allow free intercourse with the family, and in the sick room?

G. J. RUSSELL.

Belle Valley, March 7, 1864.

There are some circumstances, indeed connected not with the aspect of these diseases, but with their origin and mode of propagation which are important as contributing to establish a correct diagnoses. We may sum up the whole in the following words:

When there is little or no perceptible premonitory fever; when the eruption is distinctly vesicular, vesicle falls completely to the level of the surrounding skin; when the crusts which succeed are yellowish, scaly, irregular in shape, and not elevated, the disease is the true chicken pox.

On the other hand, when, after a period of feverish disturbance, the eruption exhibits in its earliest stage the appearance of a solid tumour; when on the third day, after discharging the contents of the vesicle, a firm tubercle is formed beneath it; having an anular form with a depressed center, the resulting crust is brown, compact, defined, of a clear horny smoothness, and sensibly elevated above the surface of the skin, the disease is small pox, under some of its modifications, capable of communicating small pox to others by inoculation and infection.

These cases can be proved to be small pox by *vaccination:*

First, that the vesicular chicken pox occurs equally in those who have and those who have not been vaccinated; that prior vaccination in no degree alters its character or course, while on the other hand, vaccination proceeds with perfect regularity after the occurrence of chicken pox; a circumstance that never happens after small pox.

DR. A. THAYER.

CAMP OF 83D PA. VOLS.,
March 8th, 1864.

EDITOR ERIE OBSERVER: In your issue of Feb. 27th, '64, is an article under the heading "Demoralization of the 83d," attached to which is my nickname *Chip* as author. Now as I did not pen the said article, and know the assertions therein contained to be false, also the signature to be a forgery, it would be very unfair to leave the article uncontradicted. Whoever the real author may be he has not dared to face the music under his own colors, but has sneakingly sought to compromise the morals of this favorite regiment, and insult the dignity and integrity of our chaplain. Then what is still more base and cowardly, has tried to shuffle himself into obscurity by forging to the slanderous article a familiar name on whom the frowns of the chaplain and others might center.

You will greatly oblige the chaplain and others by giving this a place in your columns; also, if possible, please expose the real name of the *author* of said article.

CHIP.

DIED.

In Venango, Feb. the 7th, little Eva, only child of James M. and Cynthia M. Peck, aged 4 months and 14 days.

Dearest Sissy, thou hath left us;
Here, thy loss, we deeply feel,
'Tis but God that has bereft us,
He has all our sorrows healed.

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Corrected Weekly for the Observer.

ERIE, Mar. 10, 1864.

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Rye,	1,25	" Blackberries,	15
Oats,	75	Rio Coffee,	36@40
Barley,	1,25	Java "	42@45
Flax,	2,00	Brown Sugar,	14@15
Potatoes,	60@75	Coffee A. "	18@20
Turnips,	60@70	Crushed & Pulverized,	20
Onions,	2,00@2,50	West Ind. Molasses,	60@80
Beans,	1,60@2,5	Syrup,	1,30@1,50
Dried Apples,	3@3	Green Tea,	1,0 @1,00
Green "	1,00@1,25	Black "	1,00@1,50
Butter,	30@35	Japan "	1,00@1,50
Lard,	21@23	Tallow Candles,	18
Ham,	18@16	Stearine "	20
Shoulders,	12	White Fish, Half	7 25
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