

THURSDAY, NOV. 22, 1866.

NEGRO SUFFRAGE.

The recent course of the Chicago Times in advocating the adoption of negro suffrage as a part of the Democratic platform, has awakened much comment.

The Democrats of the nation believe now, as they have ever done, that the negro is one of their own people, and that they are bound to protect him.

We have very serious doubts, too, whether as a measure of policy the proposition of the Times would stand any closer reasoning than as one of principle.

We can look at this subject in no way in which it meets our approval. As a measure of expediency it would prove a serious failure.

Jefferson Davis. The New York Tribune, in a calm and truthful review of the case of Mr. Davis, expresses the opinion that he is not likely to be tried at all.

In Holmes county, Ohio, a veteran Democrat of 101 years traveled four miles to the polls; and another, aged 93 and 94, voted a considerable distance to deposit Democratic ballots.

CONCESSION AS A MEANS OF PARTY SUCCESS.

An Article for Every Democrat to Read.

The Philadelphia Age is right in the declaration made at the opening of one of its leading articles, that "Yielding to fanaticism, will not stop its onward march."

"What has been the history of this nation with reference to its prominent and its most fanatic, the anti-slavery agitation? When that fanaticism first made its appearance in the form which openly antagonized the Constitution and denounced the laws, when they stood in the way of progress in a certain direction, the movement was treated with general unconcern.

"If such is the history of the past upon this point, what reason or sense is there in assuming now, that concession to Radical fanaticism will stop the demands of that party in the future? It must be remembered that the Radical party is made up of two elements. One is composed of honest fanatics, who feel it their duty to push on this negro question at all hazards.

General Thomas and the ex-confederate General Hood dined together yesterday at the Louisville hotel." So says a telegram from Louisville. If a Union and rebel general can sit down in a friendly manner, at the same social board, surely the people of the two sections ought not to be much longer estranged from one another.

THESE FANATICS, TO RESIST EVERY ENVOYMENT, TO CONCEDE NOTHING, AND THIS DUTY MUST BE PERFORMED, OR THERE IS NO HOPE FOR THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY OR THE NATION.

TAXATION.—During the fiscal year ending June 30, 1866, the government collected from the people of the United States over five hundred millions of dollars in the shape of taxes.

The vote of Pennsylvania, the last three years, has been as follows: 1864. 1865. 1866. Dem. vote 276,310 217,740 259,251 Rep. vote 229,670 229,490 232,927

Now that the Radicals have had their war, they are very far from being anxious to keep on the march which the great mass of Republicans are afraid to drop. The Honorable Mr. Bowler, in a recent lecture to his audience that the foundations of our government were laid in justice, and that the causes of the late rebellion were set in motion from its very beginning.

A letter from Gen. Beauregard closes as follows: "When I surrendered with the Confederate forces at Greensboro, N. C., I buried the hatchet, not to be unburied again, in case of a defense of the country and of its constitutional government."

ITEMS OF LOCAL INTEREST.

Bailie St. Clair, the actress, well remembered here, is said to be insane. About ten thousand persons, daily, or three millions one hundred and thirty thousand annually, it is stated, arrive and depart from Cleveland, by rail.

Rev. J. L. Hays, a minister well known in Erie, has resigned the pastoral charge of the Baptist Church of Titusville, in consequence of impaired health.

"Punch" has not lately suggested that the tying of a railway director to the engine of each train of cars will be a sure preventative of railway accidents.

A young man, who can give good recommendations, wishes a situation as bookkeeper. Refers to B. H. Bener, of the firm of Bener & Burgess, or to the editor of the Observer. Nov. 22.

The neighboring county of Chautauque, New York, cast at the late election, 8,760 Radical votes and 3,814 Democratic—Radical majority of 4,936. Our county is a Democratic Paradise in comparison with that.

The Harrisburg Patriot says its item about the Herd's sale (copied by us last week) was a mistake. The hotel is represented as being in a flourishing condition.

A collision occurred on Monday morning, at 7 o'clock, between two freight trains on the Philadelphia & Erie R. R., about four miles from Kane, which resulted in the destruction of three locomotives and sleepers cars. The grade at this point is heavy, and one of the trains had two locomotives attached to it.

The Tidoune Journal, in an editorial speaking of the encouraging prospects of that town, says: "Every well that has lately been dug in this vicinity is now looked upon as almost equivalent to a producing concern."

Deer & Burgess, as usual, have the honor to be first in the field with their holiday advertisements. They offer a tempting lot of goods in that line, a simple glance at which will make the little ones hearts leap for joy.

A woman by the name of Swap, living near Albion, cut her throat with a butcher knife, a few weeks ago, while her husband was present. It is claimed that it was on account of some jealousy, but the neighbors seem to think the popular without cause.

Bateman, the popular vocalist, says that any young lady can learn to sing admirably by living for ten years upon omelettes made of turkey eggs. Any of our lady readers who wish to try the experiment are welcome to the information.

A lady of sound judgment says, in reply to the new styled proposition in favor of the new suffrage, that "all our powers are necessary for our own individual work, and we must decline to seek another place until it is proved to us that we are not honorably employed, and of sufficient use and service to our fellow creatures in the condition of life in which God has placed us."

A very decided sensation has been created by the action of the Superintendent of the Philadelphia & Erie R. R., in suspending at one time all the Conductors of passenger trains on that line.

An exchange is of the opinion that in most of the schools there is too little attention paid to the elementary branches—spelling, reading, writing and arithmetic.

Question for the debating Society on Brown's Hotel Charge.—When the Erie Observer published the Chicago Times and all the Democratic prints in advocating negro suffrage, will it be a conservative or radical paper?

Question for the Society to protect animals against inhumanity.—When the Erie Gazette goes so far that it can understand the difference between a man and an elephant, or that the true position of a political opponent, will it be a sign that the judgment day is at hand, or only that the decaying old sheet has got a glimmer more of sense or honesty than usual?

Although we were not favored with the expected meteoric shower in this locality, it did not prevent a total failure. A dispatch from London states that the exhibition of celestial fire works came off there according to announcement on Tuesday night of last week, between 11 and 3 o'clock.

Messrs. Bener & Burgess have opened a new confectionery, toy and fancy goods store, at 739 State street, to which they invite the attention of their old customers and the public.

The bar of Crawford county gave a complimentary supper to Judge Derrickson, at the McHenry House, Meadville, on the 10th inst., as an expression of their gratification on the invitation says "with ability, dignity and courteousness" at which his judicial duties have been conducted.

Col. Dan Rice is again at his home in Girard, the "great moral show" having "hid up" for the winter on the lot in front. He looks well, and is in his customary cheerful spirits.

The County poor of Buffalo must live in sumptuous style. Among the published items of the poor house last year, are the following: \$20 for tea, \$300 for whiskey, \$50 for cigars, \$50 for soap, \$50 for clothing, \$50 for fuel, \$50 for medicine, \$50 for other articles.

The new town of Irwin, at the mouth of the Brokenwater, six miles this side of Warren, is represented to be growing with wonderful rapidity. "The stranger who was there one year ago," says the Warren Ledger, "would scarcely recognize the place to-day."

The late disaster on the A. & G. W. R. R. has been an effective warning to the officers of that corporation, and they have aroused their attention to the necessity of putting the track in better order. From all that we can hear the improvement is not undertaken any too soon.

New time tables on all the roads centering at our city went into operation on Monday. Travelers should bear the fact in mind, and post themselves upon the new programme.

The Buffalo Herald says the "oil-smelling humbug" has "played out" in this region. A fellow named Ferguson is bamboozling the oil operators in Canada. It would seem as if people ought to be wiser in this age than to encourage such transparent nonsense.

The Buffalo & Erie R. Co. have settled the legal difficulties, likely to grow out of the late accident near Westville, by paying the friend of the deceased persons (four in number) \$5,000, and distributing \$3,000 among the wounded, making a total of \$23,000.

A list of agents for the Observer will be found at the head of the first column in this page. Those persons in the country to whom we have sent bills, will please call upon them and settle the amount of their indebtedness.

Mr. R. H. Frisbie has taken charge of the Postoffice at Union, in spite of the rant of the Radicals. We believe that he will make a good officer. He has shown grit, and is evidently a man who cannot be put down by political enemies.

Our exchanges are nearly all complaining of a scarcity of funds, and calling upon their subscribers to pay up. If they have no better success than we have had with most of ours, their appeals will not meet with a very gratifying response.

The neighborhood of Corry and Columbus has for a long time been peculiarly infested with thieves. A clothing store at the latter place was entered, a few nights ago, and goods to a considerable amount stolen.

Good Will Fire Co., No. 3, is to give a ball on the evening of the 28th.

A rich bachelor lately died in England, at the age of eighty-four, and for twenty years had been an inveterate eater of medicine. In 1840 he took over 40,000 pills, and at last he had taken 50,000 bottles of different kinds.

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AGENTS WANTED. THE LOST CAUSE. BY R. A. POLLARD. Complete in one large royal octavo volume, of nearly 500 pages, containing a full and complete history of the war.

NEW PERFUME FOR THE HANDS. Phanton's "Night Blooming" Perfume, Phanton's "Night Blooming" Perfume, Phanton's "Night Blooming" Perfume.

PROCLAMATION IN DIVORCE. MADAME JUSTICE. In the Court of Common Pleas, Erie County, Pa. Geo. Reibher, vs. Mary Reibher, Plaintiff vs. Defendant.

JUDSON & WILDER, Manufacturers and Wholesale Dealers in TIN, JAPAN AND PRESSED WARE, STOVE PIPE, STOVE TRIMMINGS, &c., Waterford, Erie Co., Pa.

NOTICE FOR SALE. GREEN & CROOK, Auctioneers, Erie, Pa. CHANGE, BUT WHY?—Every individual who is desirous of making a profit, should be advised to buy up the Erie & West Chester R.R. stock, as it is now at a low price.

NEW FEED. JAMES P. CROOK & SON, BRASSERS & PLAIN LUMBER! Waterford, Erie Co., Pa. Shop on Peach St., between 4th and 5th Sts., Erie, Pa.