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COMPOUNDING FELONY.

We clip the following from the Harrisburg Patriot, which being published at the headquarters, is likely to be conversant with the facts:

The official compounders of felony are at bay. Their course in accepting Mills' state's evidence concerning a crime in which he is, on his own showing, the chief offender, was bad enough. But what excuse can be offered for their failure to take immediate steps to remove him from the office which he has forfeited as a criminal defaulter by the laws of the commonwealth.

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According to the simple facts thus far developed Mills' is the principal, and it may turn out, the only criminal in the case. The guilt of the others rests only on his unsupported testimony, and it will be taken with extreme caution under the circumstances.

The false and fraudulent return to the treasury is sworn to by Mills' and is in his own handwriting. Smith's offense consists in assenting to the fraud after its full commission by Mills', and in accepting a bribe from him for concealing it.

We have hesitated to comment editorially on this matter that is of so much interest to the citizens of our city, because we have hesitated to believe that an officer in Mr. Mills' position would be guilty of such a crime, where detection would apparently be so easy.

The repeated publication of the material facts, however, and the absence of any proof to the contrary, seem to indicate that the charges may be too true. If such should be the case, and it is true as alleged that Governor Hartranft has promised Mills' immunity from punishment, his conduct in the premises cannot be too severely censured.

tion of a sincere repentant, but rather like a sinner who repents because he is afraid to go to hell. If Mills' stole the money, as alleged, we can certainly see no reason why he should be accepted as state's evidence, or why Governor Hartranft's virtuous indignation should exhaust itself on a couple of clerks, who seem to have been tools rather than principals, unless it be that one has some Republican friends of some influence, while the other has not.

Monday's Dispatch has a long article copied from the Baltimore American in which the Democratic party is held up to censure because two of the minor officers of the House have turned out to be unfit for their places. On another page of the Dispatch we find the following:

HARRISBURG, Pa., June 3d.—Mr. S. Smith, a clerk in the Pennsylvania State Treasury Department, and John A. Wagoner, formerly a clerk in the Auditor General's office, were arrested to-day on information laid against them by Gov. Hartranft for conspiracy to defraud the State of \$5,000 due from the city of Scranton.

Mr. Watson in his last editorial in the Republican, comes down from his high horse in the attorney fee matter and makes the following confession: Had Hawley possessed the least desire to be fair and do justice to a neighbor and townsman, he would have said simply this:

"We were mistaken when we stated that Mr. Watson entered what small notes he had on hand just before the bill passed abolishing attorney fees, &c., to secure attorney fees, for upon a more careful examination of the appearance docket in the Prothonotary's office we find that the notes referred to were not Mr. Watson's notes at all, but were notes entered for his clients in the regular course of business, and consequently the charges we made were not true."

The "Court House Ring" tactics in the above appears in the attempt to distort our language into the assertion of his own, that we accused him of entering attorney fees on his own notes of which he was payee when he only did it in the "regular course of business."

THE GOVERNOR'S VETOES.

Gov. Hartranft vetoed the appropriation bill for Normal schools for the current year, commencing the first Monday in June. He did not, however, fail to sign the lobbying bill appropriating \$40,000 for a State building in Centennial grounds, or for an appropriation of \$55,000 more for an empty military pageant, and after the commonwealth of Pennsylvania contributed a million dollars. The Harrisburg Patriot thus alludes to the subject:

The peril to the normal schools should then have been taken into consideration. These two bills in which the Governor manifested so keen an interest would have almost covered the normal school appropriations. Had they not passed there would have been no necessity of a veto of the normal school appropriations on the plea of a want of money in the treasury.

transportation. Such of the normal schools as have undertaken improvements must suspend operations for the present year, while the Governor takes his ease in the gaudily furnished apartments that have been provided for him in the State Centennial building at the expense of the public treasury.

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So it appears that Republican clerks may be guilty of "ways that are dark" as well as Democratic clerks and Door-keepers. The moral of this lesson is, that people who live in glass houses had better not begin to cast stones.

It is well for people who sincerely desire reform in the administration of the government and retrenchment of the public expenditures to understand and remember that the democratic house of representatives at Washington has reduced the appropriations forty millions of dollars below the sum total of the same appropriations made by the preceding congress.

The case of Harney against Kerr may now be considered closed. Mr. Kerr's friends need ask no better vindication of the speaker than his own frank, manly words which will be generally accepted as putting an effectual quietus on the testimony of the man Harney.

The movement to redeem the fractional currency by silver coin brings to light the somewhat singular fact that about ten millions fractional currency has been entirely destroyed and lost, and will never be presented for redemption.

For the first twenty days of the Centennial Exhibition the aggregate attendance reached the number of 723,141 persons. This is at the rate of 35,157 per day. Of the whole number 321,148 entered free, leaving the number paying at \$1.993. The total receipts were \$200,996.50; a daily average of \$10,000; the managers have a small margin for incidentals, to say nothing of the stockholders.

In New York, the other day a notorious "saw-dust" swindler—that is, an individual who advertised counterfeit money to sell, and sent saw-dust instead to would-be purchasers—was sentenced to thirteen months imprisonment and a fine of five hundred dollars.

Gold closed in New York, on Monday at 1.12 1/2.

Advertisements New This Week.

KEYSTONE ACADEMY. The eighth year commences on the first Tuesday in September. The fall term closes on the Tuesday before Thanksgiving. The winter term commences on the first Tuesday after Thanksgiving.

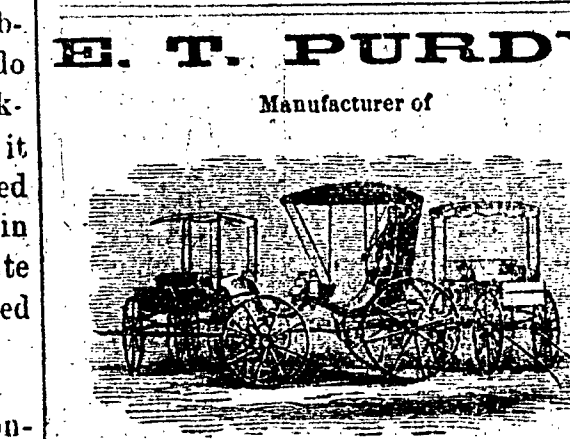
ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE OF Real Estate in Middletown Township. The undersigned administrators of the estate of William R. Spaford, late of the township of Middletown, died in pursuance of an order of the Orphan's Court of the County of Susquehanna will expose at public sale on the premises in Middletown township on

ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT of Auburn School District for year ending June 5, 1876. RECEIPTS. Balance in Treasurers hands June 7, 1875. \$ 197 41 Cash received from Collector. 2,343 30 State appropriation for 1876. 1,461 40

ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT of the Monroe Graded School, for the year ending June 5, 1876. RECEIPTS. Gross amount of tax duplicate. \$5,958 85 Deduct 5 per cent. allowed to taxpayers. \$101 34 errors. 51,923 183 26 Total tax receipts. \$2,406 89

AMOS NICHOLS, Secretary. We the undersigned auditors of the Board of Monroese, having examined the accounts of James R. Dewitt, Treasurer of School Board of Monroese, and the orders paid by him, find a balance in his hands of three hundred and sixty dollars and thirty-two cents.

E. T. PURDY, Manufacturer of Wagons, Carriages, & Sleighs.



BUGGY, CONCORD, PHETON, AND SIDE-BAR GEARS. EVENERS, SINGLE AND DOUBLE WHIFFLETREES. BODIES OF THE LATEST STYLES. JOBBING, &c., DONE PROMPTLY. E. T. PURDY. Montrose, June 7, 1876.

Undertaking. The undersigned will make a Specialty business, All needing their services will be promptly attended to, satisfaction guaranteed. P. & B. MATTHEWS. Friendsville, Pa., April 7, 1876.

ALL KINDS OF BLANKS AT THIS OFFICE.

GOODS! GOODS! Wm. Hayden Has just received an ENTIRE NEW STOCK OF MENS' BOYS' AND YOUTHS' CLOTHING.

MENS' SUITS, \$6 TO \$25 BOYS' & YOUTHS' \$5 TO \$10

DRY GOODS, HATS & CAPS, BOOTS AND SHOES, YANKEE NOTIONS, FANCY GOODS, Cheap for cash. No charges for showing our goods. WM. HAYDEN. New Milford, May 24, 1876.—14.

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MODES DE PARIS! Spring Styles. ROZELLE'S, FRENCH MILLINERY, 97 Court Street, Binghamton, N. Y. 97. The largest and best stock of Millinery Goods outside of New York, and at the very lowest cash prices.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.—In the estate of Reuben Fuller, late of Liberty township, Susquehanna County, Pennsylvania, dec'd. Letters of Administration in the said estate having been granted to the undersigned, all persons owing said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and all persons having claims against said estate are requested to present them without delay.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE. In the estate of James J. Connel, late of Rush-ville, dec'd. Letters of Administration in the said estate having been granted to the undersigned, all persons owing said estate, are requested to make immediate payment, and all persons having claims against said estate are requested to present them without delay.

AUDITOR'S NOTICE.—The undersigned an auditor appointed by the Orphan's Court of Susquehanna County to determine the funds remaining in the hands of C. F. Reed, Executor and Trustee of the estate of Joseph Backus, dec'd., will attend to the duties of his appointment at his office in Montrose, on Monday, June 13th, 1876, at 2 p. m., at which time and place all persons interested, will present their claims or be forever debarred from coming in on said fund.

TARBELL HOUSE. OPPOSITE THE COURT HOUSE. MONTROSE, PENN'A JOHN S. TARBELL, PROP'R. Nine Stages and Hacks leave this House daily, connecting with the Montrose Railway, the Lehigh Valley Railroad and the D. L. & W. Railroad. April 1, 1876.

SHOE SHOP. I have just opened a shoe shop in Seattle's new building on the corner, up stairs, where I am prepared to make all kinds of gentleman's boots, shoes, and gaiters, of all the latest styles of work, and best material and workmanship. Repairing neatly done. Invisible patches put on. HOWE, GILLILAND. Montrose, May 10, 1876.—14.