

# THE REGISTER.

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## How do you like it?

Friends and patrons of the Register, let us introduce to you our new, enlarged, and improved sheet.

The long promised improvement is at length accomplished. In the first number I could afford it—

though it possibly may not suit the taste of every one among the various tastes to be consulted—

Some time to see the paper enlarged to the size of the "Democrat" of this place, or a little larger, with correspondingly large type, for the purpose of making a great show in size, &c., which would have rendered it necessary to purchase a new Press, of a larger size, in addition to the cost of type and other materials, requiring in all an outlay of near \$600; and a great deal of time and talk has been expended during the past winter about raising by subscription among the Whigs of the county a sum sufficient to accomplish all this after the manner that printing establishments have been got up by the liberality of public spirited citizens in several of the adjacent counties. Others at the same time have counselled that so large a sheet for a *new* show, was a superfluous undertaking—that it is medium sized sheet, printed on a compact but good and clear-faced kind of type, was altogether sufficient in a place like this, where advertising patronage was not very extensive; and since the attempt to raise so large a sum from the liberality of persons in favor of such an enterprise, was found to be impracticable, here, where a *Whig* Press has hitherto been kept up by the individual enterprise of the proprietor, without taxing the liberality of others for any such extraordinary aid by their contributions, the plan was at least worthy of consideration.

Anticipating as far as possible to meet the wishes and expectations of all, and yet resolved to do something in the way of improvement without any further delay, rather than waste time in fruitless talking about an improvement beyond my present power, I determined to enlarge (for the balance of this year at least) only to such a size as would come within the capacity of the Press now in use, the gearing of which I have just got repaired for the purpose; but in order to be enabled to furnish as much reading matter as any other country paper around us, I selected for the main proportion a kind of type of such a close and compact body (though with a comparatively large, clear, and plain face,) as you here see, in the selected matter of this and the first page, the difference between which and the kind generally used in country papers (called *long printer*) will be seen by comparing it with the agricultural matter on the fourth page, and some articles also on the third, having procured a small quantity of that for the sake of variety. [For the information of those readers who are not printers, it should be remarked that the type in this and other original articles is of the same size (called *Brevier*) as the solid matter on the first page, the lines being merely leaded apart with thin leads, as is the general custom in all papers, to distinguish original from selected matter.] It will be seen by this how large a quantity of reading matter we are able to compress in type of the body, which is a sort of medium between the small type of some of the city papers, and that most commonly used in the country.

Again I repeat, *how do you like it?* I am not that famous *Chapman* of *crowing* notoriety, and will not presume to say it is the very handsomest paper ever published in these "diggins"—but I leave it to the taste of the readers generally, to say if this kind of type which I have chosen does not make this sized form, about as neat and pretty as *Northern Pennsylvania* ever produced.—All of you who approve of this size form, and variety of type which I have adopted, please to manifest it by raising the right hand—from the pocket, if you please.] All those who would prefer that, at the close of the present volume, a new, and larger *Press*, and more of the large kind of type should be procured, so as to afford a larger and more showy paper than ever before printed here, please to signify it by shifting out a suitable contribution of the needed, and it shall be done.

## Shall I be Sustained?

Though indebted to the laudable public spirit of several friends in this county for their liberal advances to aid in the improvement just accomplished, (friends who have without any loud and tumultuous opposition of what they were going to do, promptly but quietly furnished their aid whenever I have procured the materials to a great extent to my own responsibility, which in my situation standing upon the legitimate charge of my business, without any official patronage made available to sustain some press, renders it necessary that I should be suitably patronized by the citizens of this county especially to sustain me in the enterprise and enable me to carry it through successfully. If industry, perseverance, and untiring efforts to give satisfaction can merit encouragement, I mean by all means to deserve it, by my exertions to print a neat and handsome, as well as useful and interesting paper. But besides the outlay upon which I have ventured in procuring these materials, the paper is going to cost nearly half as much again in the additional labor of a larger sheet and smaller type, furnishing as much reading matter as it will each week. Of course I ought to expect a corresponding increase of patronage, or I cannot live by it. Shall I look for it in vain among an able and intelligent community, such as grows up in this my native county?

There are various ways in which substantial aid may be given, so that I may be sustained in the enterprise and enabled to effect a remunereration of those who do so in the course of the year; for I ask nothing as a *gratuity*, but hope to be able to pay in a satisfactory manner all who have or may advance any thing to cancel the purchases I have made in this county, until advance \$1 of interest per cent, is paid to those who have advanced, and payment as to that amount in full, for services rendered.

*Conroy's IMPROVED PATENT Bee-Hive.*—The right for this country of making, and selling this truly ingenious and valuable improvement, having been recently purchased by Wm. F. Dredge, and J. Churchill, of Great Bend, they offer for sale township rights, in an advertisement which will be duly prepared for insertion next week, having been omitted in our last and hurry till late into this week. In the mean time, having taken a bird's eye view of a model of the hive left with J. Churchill, of this place, who is duly authorized to make sale of rights here, we would advise all the curious to call and see it for themselves! Particulars next week.

We have received several recent numbers of the "Meriden, Conn. Weekly Mercury," published by Geo. W. Weeks, who was seemingly but yesterday a strapping printer boy in this place! How they come up.

Each individual commencing now, may also have a copy of the paper to January 1st, 1840, for \$1 advanced.

Finally, there is one way in which all individuals may aid in sustaining the enterprise, but not only paying for a copy themselves, but by presenting among their neighbors at least one or more good paying subscribers for the newly improved sheet. Will each one try this plan forthwith?

We shall send the first number of our improved sheet to several old subscribers, who have heretofore paid up to discontinued, but of whom some may be induced to take again, when they see what an improvement we have made. Should we send still another number to any one, who does not wish to continue, they will please signify it by returning both, by mail or otherwise, to this office—

We may also send this number to some distant friends and acquaintances, merely to let them see what we are doing in the age of improvement.

Some persons who have taken the Register for a long time without paying us anything for it, must be surprised if this is the last number they receive from us. After expending much for our improvement, we cannot afford to print a paper for nothing any longer.

We are unavoidably delayed some two days beyond date this week in getting out the first number of the Register on the new type, &c. The materials arrived here late on Saturday night, when instead of having one side of our paper printed as usual, on Monday morning we had to commence the whole under another standing matter, even, all to be renewed after unpacking and arranging in cases all the sorts of new type—fitting all the new rules, furniture, &c., and completing repairs about the gearing of the press, &c. Our readers will, however, doubtless be reconciled to the delay, on the appearance of the improved new sheet, which we hope will be out in better season again next week.

Not only all our reading matter, but all the advertisements (excepting nearly two columns of stereotyped musical advertisements, furnished by the advertisers, whose contracts for their insertion have not expired,) are set up in entire new type.—

While commanding the fair appearance of our new type to our readers, it is but justice to the manufacturers, to say to our brother printers, that they were procured from the type foundry of Jons T. White, in Cliff St., N. Y. We don't whether a superior article can be found in any other establishment, nor can there be found more gentlemanly, fair and accommodating dealers.

Though we do not intend as a general thing to fill our first or miscellaneous page with tales of fiction, and especially such as are continued on weekly, we have commenced quite an amusing one this week, which will be concluded in our next. In our endeavors as far as consistent, to gratify the various tastes of all our readers, we may occasionally select matters of this kind for their amusement, while we aim to give a due share of such matter as is more substantially useful and instructive.—Valuable agricultural selections will be found on the common stock of information that must ever tend to elevate and sustain a representative government.

We observe in the Montrose Democrat of April 19th, a peace headed "The Agony Over," quoted from the Luzerne Democrat, which says, "Rumor tells us that the Hon. William Jessup is appointed Judge of this district," and honorably adds, "we have nothing to say against the Judge. He is a learned lawyer and a man of good morals." But after saying this, it has no hesitation in saying that Judge Cunningham was the choice of one of the parties, and would, had the matter been submitted to a vote, have received the popular voice of the people of that county. We presume he might, and can testify to the fact, in saying that Judge Cunningham is a gentleman in every respect a learned lawyer, a popular Judge, and a gentleman of high moral worth, an efficient public officer, and as a private citizen he has few superiors. But every leaf hath two sides: a glouce at the other side will not be out of place, friend of the Luzerne Democrat. We sincerely ask the question: Do the many noble traits of character in Judge C. detract from the public and private virtues of Judge Jessup, who is composed of the same unfinishing material, and in fine possessed of every natural quality which adorns a gentleman? And in return we have no hesitation in saying that he lives as sincerely in the hearts of the citizens of Susquehanna as does Judge C. in those of Luzerne. And we challenge any gentleman for the proof, that he is not equally consistent, and as free from carrying politics on to the bench, or mingling with them in any way, which would derogate from the character of his office. Name any branch of industry, or public improvement, calculated to aid the advancement of the interests of the citizens of Susquehanna, which has not received a marked encouragement from the Judge. Equally prompt is he in administering justice to all. In early life he took an elevated stand at the bar, and has maintained it as a Lawyer and Judge to a considerably advanced age. A thorough acquaintance is his better recommend. As to the political decapitation of Judge C., we have only to say, this is the natural consequence, and fruit of political changes.

In Judge J.'s appointment Governor Johnston

has done credit to himself as well as to this judicial district.

## Post Office Changes.

Though a most dolorous cry is raised by the *Locofoco* press at the changes that have been made thus far, in Post Offices throughout the Union, there will have to be a great many more before anything like an equilibrium can be formed in the distribution of these offices, which have been nearly all on one side for years past.—The Democrat announces this week, as a wonderful outrage, the appointment of G. G. Price as Postmaster at Hartford, in this country, in place of Saxon Seymour Esq., who has held the office for a great many years, heading it, "First Head." No such horrible emotions were manifested by the Locos, when whig Postmasters have been removed by their party, with quite as little cause for the removal as this, whereas both the ins and outs were worthy men as in the present instance.

B. T. Cooke, Esq., late editor of the *Broome Reformer*, has been appointed Postmaster at Binghamton, in place of J. H. H. Park, to make room for whom T. Robinson (Barburner) was recently ousted by the Huskers. Mr. Cooke having been ousted to give place to the latter, in his turn, some years ago. So this is only a restoration of a whig Postmaster, and a good one too.

Henry M. Collier, of Binghamton, has been appointed Mail Agent on the Railroad, in place of Mr. Anderson, late Agent.

## The Mail Robbery.

In the hurry and bustle of getting out our last number of the Register on the new type, &c. We neglected to mention the astounding Mail Robbery which had just been detected in the Great Bend Post Office on the eve of our leaving for New York the week previous. Letters enclosing money and drafts had been repeatedly detained or lost entirely, during the last few months between this place and New York, and Mr. Hale a confidential agent of the Department was sent here to ferret it out, who with the aid of Mr. Webb, the Postmaster at this place, succeeded in detecting George Baldwin, Esq., the Postmaster at Great Bend, on the morning of the 12th inst. when several purloined letters and packages were found upon him, and the proof so glaring he owned up and submitted to an arrest, and was committed to jail in this place. The affair created great excitement for a few days, but he has since been bailed under bonds of \$3,000.

Mr. Baldwin was a well educated Lawyer by profession, and had been chosen County Auditor by the Locos of this county recently, besides putting in the Post Office by that party to the exclusion of a good Whig. Wonder if the cry of "Proscription" will be raised at his being turned out—Our neighbor ought to have mentioned his case as the "First Head Off."

## For the Susquehanna Register.

J. W. CHAPMAN, Esq.—Dear Sir: Will you have the goodness to give publicity to the following note, and oblige one of the subscribers to the Register, which has ever battled boldly and fearlessly for vindicating those principles and measures calculated to benefit the great mass, as well as adding to the common stock of information that must ever tend to elevate and sustain a representative government.

I propose to every member to keep a diary or registry of his system of management, noting down the kind and quality of soil, the manner of preparing it for the seed, the quantity and kind of manure introduced, if any, and the result; and also whatever may come to his knowledge of agricultural consequence, whether in his own course of practice or that of others; together with such general remarks as circumstances shall require to be made, or as he may please to offer; and deposit the same a short time previous to our annual exhibition, at some place in Monroe, which I shall hereafter designate. Remember we are all plain men, engaged in a plain and laborious pursuit; and that we are engaged, not to make a literary show, but on the other hand to obtain facts in a plain and practicable way, and to disseminate them in an intelligible form for the benefit of all. Hence it is hoped that no one will be heard to make excuse when called upon to hand in his report, that the secretary may have something entertaining, instructive and profitable to offer at your next fair.

S. A. NEWTON, Cor. Sec'y.

Brooklyn, April 24.

## Agricultural.

List of premiums to be awarded by the Susquehanna County Agricultural Society, at the annual Fair to be held in October 1849.

Best acre of winter wheat, \$8.00

2nd best, do. Johnston's Agricultural Chemistry, .50

Best acre spring wheat, .50

2nd best do. Johnston's Agricultural Chemistry, .50

Best acre of corn, .50

2nd best, do, .30

Best acre of rye, .30

2nd best, do, .30

Best acre of oats, .30

2nd best, do, .30

Best frokin of butter, .20

2nd best, do, .20

Best of any quantity not less than 15 pounds, 1.00

2nd best, do, do, do, 1.00

Best cheese, .30

2nd best do, .30

Best cow, .50

2nd best do, .50

Best donkey, .50

2nd best do, .50

Best pair geldings raised in the Co., "Youatt on the Horse," .50

Best pair 3 years old colts, broke to harness, "Mason's Farrier and Steed Book," .50

Best bull, .50

2nd best do, .30

Best pair oxen, .50

Best pair 3 years old steers, .50

"Youatt's Cattle Manual," .50

Best fine wood buck, .30

Best coarse do, .30

Best fine wood ewe, .30

Best coarse do, .30

Best lot of lambs not less than 5 in number, .30

Best bear, .20

2nd best do, 1.00

Best sow, .20

2nd best do, 1.00

Discretionary premiums on all root crops, and on plants.

Discretionary premiums will be awarded on domestic manufactures and needle work, and the Executive Committee respectfully ask the attention of the ladies to this honorable branch of industry.

CHARLES TINGLEY,  
RONALD JEWETT,  
ABEL CADSEY,

Montrose, April 21. Executive Committee.

MIRACULOUS ESCAPE.—On Monday the 2d inst., says the Carbon Democrat, as Mr. Charles Packer, of Nesquon, in company with an other person, was descending the plumb of Messrs. Packer & Douglas, above this place, with a train of trucks, they became somewhat pinionable, and commenced moving with considerable rapidity. Mr. Packer's assistant becoming frightened, leaped off, leaving the entire management to himself. Of course, his power was unequal to the task, and they came thundering down threatening destruction to everything below. When near the bottom they ran off the track, and striking a piece of wood at the very verge of a precipice, Mr. P. was thrown from his position over the wall, and singular to relate, alighted, some twenty-five feet below, erect on an upright 3 inch plank. With great presence of mind, supposing the trucks above were about coming down upon him, another bound placed him beyond harm's danger! The cars, however, remained on the verge of going over. Of course, the whole affair, was but the work of a moment. From a knowledge of the place he descended, every person present supposed that he must literally be dashed to pieces. But was their joy and surprise, however, to find him uninjured, in the least particular. Mr. Packer is one of our most enterprising and active men, and we rejoice with his many friends over his miraculous escape.

CONSERVATIVE ELECTIONS.—The Harford Courant makes the election stand as follows:

Whig, Loc. F. Soilers, Doubtful

Senate, 137 6 1

House, 111 97 14 0

Joint Ballot, 124 103 15 1

The Courant says, some half dozen of the Free Soilers will unquestionably vote with the Whigs.

## A Circular.

To the Members of the Agricultural Society of Susquehanna.

To excite the members of the county to a more systematic improvement and still improving, practicable and profitable mode of cultivation, etc.

And it is unquestionable, also, that the influence of

## New-York & Erie Telegraph.

The Telegraph line, though it has been in the operation of conveying intelligence, and through the years for some time, performs its office so steadily to afford no benefit to us here, for the want

of a convention to be established in this place, which we understand the company expect the citizens

here to furnish at their own expense, while the stockholders here