

THE HUNTINGDON COUNTY TRAGEDY.

The Chambersburg Repository of Thursday gives the following particulars of the horrible murder of Mrs. Brown and five of her children, a short account of which we gave on Monday:

One of the most shocking murders—or rather massacres of an almost entire family—that ever cast a stain upon civilization, was perpetrated in Cromwell township, Huntingdon co., on Saturday the 25th ult. The prominent particulars, as gathered from an individual present at the examination, are these: William Brown is the father of the murdered family, which consisted of the parents and six children. The eldest daughter is married to Robert McConahy, who lived on his father-in-law's premises as a tenant. Brown, it seems, is a rough man, addicted to intemperance, and when in this condition was in the habit of threatening to kill some of his family, though never known to have attempted any thing of the kind. He was in the habit of working in the neighborhood at carpentering, whilst McConahy conducted the farming operations. On Saturday morning the old man and his eldest son, aged about 21, left home for their places of employment; shortly after which, McConahy proposed to the next oldest son and a younger one, to "go hunting," at the same time directing the daughter and another of the boys to do some work in a cornfield. McConahy's wife having the day previous been conveyed to a friend's house at some distance, by her husband; after the above disposition had been gone into, the whole family was dispersed, except Mrs. Brown, who remained in the house. McConahy and the two boys, on the hunting excursion, had not proceeded much beyond half a mile from the house when the report of guns was heard, and when the bodies of the two boys were afterwards found, it appeared that the oldest, a stout boy, had not been mortally wounded by the shot, that he made a desperate battle, until overcome by his merciless assailant, who finally cut his throat. While this scene was enacting, the smaller boy ran some distance, but was pursued, shot and beaten to death, and with his brother, buried beneath leaves and other rubbish.

Shortly after this, the girl and her brother engaged in the cornfield were attacked; the girl was shot, but there was ample and painful evidence to show that the first wound was not fatal, and that she resisted the murderer with extraordinary power, which ceased only when both her arms were broken, and her throat cut from ear to ear! The boy here, as in the other case, appeared to have been first shot, and then beaten and stabbed until life was extinct. The bodies were then covered up. The next object of the fiend incarnate was the mother of those murdered children. She was found in the house and despatched with a common butcher knife, with which her head was nearly severed from her body, though not without manifestations of having resisted her destroyer to the extent of her power. She was buried in her bed and the blood carefully wiped off the floor. The murderer then stationed himself in the barn, with two loaded rifles, at a point commanding a view of the door of the dwelling house, and awaited the approach of the next victims. The first was the eldest son, who, when upon the threshold of the door, received a fatal shot, and fell dead upon the spot. He was dragged inside the house, and the door, closed. Next came the father, and upon putting his hand to the door, found it fastened, upon which he made some exclamation of dissatisfaction, and at the same moment heard the report of a gun, and felt that a ball had passed so close to his eyes as to cause considerable pain; in a moment after, another discharge of a rifle sent a ball so as to cut a part of his ear, graze his whiskers, and pass through his

hat. He then cast his eyes towards the barn, and discovered a person hastily turning around the corner, directing his course to the woods.

Upon effecting an entrance into the house, Mr. Brown found his oldest son upon the floor, dead, and upon further examination, discovered his wife concealed by the bed clothes, life also extinct. He then communicated the dreadful circumstance to the neighbors, who immediately instituted a search for the other members of the family, who were found as already described, the searchers being led in the right direction by reports of the guns previously heard. The next question was, *Who is the Murderer?* The character and habits of Brown at once gave color to the suspicion that he had returned home maddened, as thousands have been before him by intoxicating liquor, and thus put into execution his oft threatened and unnatural purpose. He was secured—but fortunately for him he had remained sober that day, and only needed to bring forward his proofs to satisfy all that he could not be the murderer.

McConahy, the son-in-law, was present and in reply to an insinuation from him unfavorable to Brown the latter at once accused him as the criminal, averring that he was the man he saw running from the barn, &c. This soon resulted in the liberation of the old man and the securing of McConahy, who in all the subsequent examination, became more deeply involved in condemning circumstances, and was finally committed to Huntingdon jail to await his trial in August. Providence seems to have interposed in a remarkable manner to frustrate the design of the assassin. If McConahy is the guilty man, the only object he could have in view was to destroy the wofle family in order to secure the property of his father-in-law to himself, and it would seem that the calculation was that the public would be ready to conclude that Brown had perpetrated the dreadful slaughter, and then committed suicide—a conclusion that might have been produced if he fallen by the shots aimed at his head, and if he had left his employment prepared for such a deed by intoxication.

Horrible.—It is stated in a Wheeling paper, on the authority of a letter from Marietta, Ohio, that a young lady from down the river, who was on a visit to her friends in that place, was last week thrown from a horse she was riding, and dragged seven miles. The horse was only stopped by the last of three shots from a rifle and when so, the remains of the unfortunate lady were so mutilated that they could scarcely be recognized as those of a human being.

Why do fashionable ladies remind us of Gen. Jackson at New Orleans? Give it up? Because they use cotton breast work.

EASTON UMBRELLA MANUFACTORY.

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Merchants will find it to their advantage to give him a call before purchasing in the cities. He would state that his frames are made by himself, or under his immediate inspection, and that he has secured the services of an experienced young lady, to superintend the covering department.

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CHARLES KING.
401-2 Northampton Street next door to R.S. Chidseys Tin ware manufacturing Establishment.
Easton, July 1, 1840.

DISSOLUTION.

The co-partnership heretofore existing between the subscribers at Bushkill, under the firm of Wallace & Newman, is this day dissolved by mutual consent. The books, notes and accounts are left in the hands of Thomas J. Newman. Also all those having demands against said firm will present them to Thomas J. Newman for settlement.

WEBB WALLACE,
THOMAS J. NEWMAN.
Bushkill, June 16, 1840.
N. B. The business will be carried on as usual at the old stand by T. J. NEWMAN.

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PUBLIC OPINION from whose decision there is no appeal, has been so often and so loudly manifested in favor of BRANDRETH'S VEGETABLE UNIVERSAL PILLS, that it is not surprising there should be found in almost every city, town, and village in the United States, persons so depraved at heart, and so utterly devoid of the principal of moral rectitude, as to manufacture a spurious article, and palm it off on the unsuspecting public as the genuine medicine, from the result of which so many happy results have been accrued to humanity. It is painful to think that an inestimable good should be product of direct and immediate evil—but so it is.

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June 5, 1840.

STRODSBURG ARTILLERISTS.

Will assemble for parade at the house of Edward Postens, on Saturday, the 4th of July, at 8 o'clock, A. M. fully equipped. Absentees will incur a fine of \$1. By order of

C. Smith, Capt.
Stroudsburg, June 16, 1840.—3t.

PROSPECTUS OF THE

Jeffersonian Republican,
A new Weekly Paper, to be published at Stroudsburg, Monroe County, Pa., and Milford, Pike County, Pa., simultaneously.

'The whole art of Government consists in the art of being honest.—Jefferson.

THE JEFFERSONIAN REPUBLICAN in principle, will be all its title purports, the firm and unwavering advocate of the principles and doctrines of the democratic party, delineated by the illustrious JEFFERSON: the right of the people to think, to speak, and to act, independently, on all subjects, holding themselves responsible to no power for the free exercise of this right, but their God, their Country, and her Laws, which they themselves have created.—A free and untrammelled Press, conducted in a spirit worthy of our institutions, is a public blessing, a safeguard to the Constitution under which we live, and it should be cherished and supported by every true republican. Such, then, it is designed to make the paper now established, and as such, the publisher calls upon the enlightened citizens of Monroe and Pike to aid him in this laudable enterprise. The time has arrived when the Press should take a bold and fearless stand against the evidently increasing moral and political degeneracy of the day, and endeavor, by a fair, candid, and honorable course, to remove those barriers which sectional prejudices, party spirit, and party animosity have reared to mar the social relations of men without accomplishing any paramount good.

THE JEFFERSONIAN REPUBLICAN will not seek to lead or follow any faction, or to advocate and support the schemes of any particular set of men. It will speak independently on all State and National questions, awarding to each that support which its merits may demand, never hesitating, however, to condemn such measures, as in the opinion of the editor is justly warranted, holding as a first principle: "The greatest good to the greatest number."

Believing that the great principles of democracy are disregarded by the present Chief Magistrate of the Nation, MARTIN VAN BUREN, the JEFFERSONIAN REPUBLICAN, will decidedly, but honorably oppose his re-election to the high and responsible station which he now holds.

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It will ever maintain that the welfare of our Country and the preservation of her Republican Institutions should be the first and only sentiments of our hearts in the choice of our public servants; that honesty, fidelity, and capability, are the only true tests of merit; that all men are created equal, and, therefore, should alike enjoy the privileges conferred on them by the Constitution without being subject to proscription, or coerced by the influence of party.

The columns of the JEFFERSONIAN REPUBLICAN will ever be open to the free discussion of all political questions, believing as we do, that there is no liberty where both sides may not be heard, and where one portion of freemen are denied the privilege of declaring their sentiments through the medium of the Press, because they differ from the majority.

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RICHARD NUGENT.

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Charles Trump,
John S. Comfort,
Henry W. Drinker,
William P. Clark,
Commissioners.

June 16, 1840.

N. B. Proposals will be received at Stoddartsville, on Thursday the 16th day of July ensuing, for doing the work either wholly or in jobs, required by building a lock and inclined plane with the necessary grading, fixtures and machinery for passing rafts descending the Lehigh over the Falls at Stoddartsville. It is expected that the work will be commenced as soon as practicable and be completed with despatch.

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JOHN HUSTON, Pres't.
(Attest) Wm. P. VAIL, Sec'y.
Stroudsburg, May 15, 1840.

TEMPERANCE NOTICE.

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By order of the President.

June 19, 1840.

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