



DEMOCRAT.

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FOR GOVERNOR.

WILLIAM BIGLER, Of Clearfield County.

North Branch Canal.

We are in the receipt of letters from our able Senator and Representative, in reference to an appropriation to the North Branch Canal.

Fire and Loss of Property.

The large stable of Mr. Dull, at Dam No. 3, a few miles above this place, was entirely consumed on last Sunday morning about three o'clock.

We understand the Sheriff paid them a visit in his official capacity a few days before the fire occurred, but not having a sufficient posse, no arrests were made.

Dental Surgery.

Our readers will see by his card in another column, that their old friend Dr. Grandin, has arrived in town and taken rooms at Mersereau's American House.

The sentiment of the Whig party in Pennsylvania seems to be strong for Gen. Scott for the Presidency.

We make our acknowledgments to Hon. J. P. Walker, U. S. Senator, and Messrs. Sanderson, Buckalew, Mowry and Rockhow, of the State Legislature for documents.

The delegates to the Judicial Convention from Schuylkill county are instructed for Hon. Luther Kidder and Hon. Ellis Lewis, for the Supreme Bench.

The Montour county bill has not yet been acted upon in the Senate.

S. of T.

The Sons of Temperance turned out in full regalia on Thursday evening last to listen to the address of R. R. Little, Esq. They made a fine appearance.

Hon. John Brislin arrived in town on Wednesday last, we suppose from Washington; but not having heard anything from him in the way of "public documents" with which the Press is usually favored for the public benefit, we are unable to say.

The Luzerne Democrat feels sore on the subject of "Brains." Wonder if the ghost of the late member haunts the memory of the editors of that concern in their slumbers.

The bill abolishing the Canal Board and providing for the election of a Superintendent of Public Works, has been defeated in the House by an indefinite postponement, by a vote of 51 to 40.

The Winchester Methodist Conference Committee on Dickinson College, have directed a new building to be erected costing \$15,000.

The nett proceeds of Jenny Lind's thirteen concerts in New Orleans amounted to the round sum of \$200,000.

Godey's Lady's Book for April has made its appearance. This number is embellished with five engravings. Godey pledges himself not to be beaten or even equalled. The May No. is to be a "Star" No. Godey is bound to go ahead.

Sartain's Union Magazine for April is a superb number. It contains a great number of original articles. The embellishments are elegant, the reading matter varied and interesting.

PENNSYLVANIA CANAL.—The Pittsburg Gazette of Wednesday says—"The canal is now in fine navigable order, the small breach near Hollidaysburg having been repaired, and passenger boats are daily arriving at and departing from Sharpburg.

A WARNING TO SLANDERERS.—A poor girl, named Martha Stock, recovered lately, in the Court of Common Pleas at Lancaster, Judge Lewis presiding, \$1,000 damages of a man named John Neff, for slanderous words spoken by him against the chastity of the plaintiff.

COLONIZATION IN VIRGINIA.—The Presbyterian Synod of Virginia, at its late meeting held at Winchester, earnestly recommended its members to cooperate with the State, in giving efficiency to the act lately passed by the Legislature of Virginia, appropriating \$30,000 for five years to colonize the free blacks of the State in Liberia.

The Sullivan Eagle has been removed from Cherry to Laporte, the county seat.

Correspondence of the Democrat.

Mr. WINCHESTER.—I did not think of again appearing in your columns, but the meeting of the "Sons of Temperance" and citizens, at the Methodist Church to hear an address from R. R. Little, Esq., has made it necessary in order that that event may be chronicled for the benefit of future generations.

When Mr. R. closed his address it would have been better if the meeting had adjourned, but some of the "Sons" thought otherwise, and a number of other speakers were called upon to address the meeting.

The insecurity of banking, based upon a deposit of State stocks has been lately demonstrated in New York by the failure of several of these institutions.

The creation of banks requires the exercise of the greatest care and discretion. The tendency to speculate, the opportunities afforded by these institutions to secure loans of money upon easy terms and without security, induces men to make application to the Legislature for the extension of these special privileges to them.

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original position of "let the world take care of itself and the d— I take the hindmost."

I read with care that little spicy article in your paper of last week headed "To those about Town who Understand it," I trust to my own advantage, and I would advise several others to do likewise.

Penn'a Legislature.

Mr. B. nedit, petitions from 85 citizens of Luzerne county, in favor of such change in the license law that no license may be granted for a less sum than \$50; also, from citizens of Wyoming county, in favor of a change in the law licensing beer shops.

Mr. Mowry, petition of citizens of Clinton township, Wyoming county, for a change in the place of holding elections; also, petition of citizens of Wyoming county, for the incorporation of the Wyoming Plank Road company; also, remonstrance of citizens of Susquehanna county, against the removal of the county seat; also, petition of citizens of Falls township, Wyoming county, for a change in their license law.

In the Senate, on the 8th inst., Mr. Buckalew presented the bill to incorporate the City of Carlisle, which was read a second and third time and passed, since which the House has concurred in the Senate amendments, and it has become a law.

Free Banking on State Stocks.

The insecurity of banking, based upon a deposit of State stocks has been lately demonstrated in New York by the failure of several of these institutions. Their notes to the amount of hundreds of thousands of dollars are in the hands of the community, besides other immense outstanding liabilities, all of which will have to undergo a considerable abatement when they are paid, if they are ever paid at all.

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Mr. Webster, who was invited to partake of a public dinner in Boston, on the 7th of March, the anniversary of his great speech, declined the invitation.

A CARD—Artificial Teeth.

This peculiar branch of the dental profession has reached an admirable state of perfection, and by the honest and skilful is practised with great satisfaction to the unfortunate.

But the greater portion of the artificial teeth inserted are of a very inferior quality, from the fact that after having been worn in the mouth for a short time only, they absorb the moisture, and become exceedingly offensive; and if per chance they give way, will not admit of passing through the usual process necessary to restoration.

The best in use are the Adamantine, or Diamond Teeth. These are the kind used entirely by Dr. GRANDIN, Dentist, of New York, who inserts them in the most superior manner, upon gold plate or on healthy roots, from one to whole sets, with or without artificial gums, as the case may require, in the most beautiful, useful, and satisfactory manner.

Dr. G. may be found for a short time at Mersereau's Hotel.

Tunkhannock, March 15, 1851.

F. E.

On Wednesday night last about half past nine o'clock, the Board Kiln erected by the Presbyterian Church was discovered to be on fire. It was pulled down, and the fire extinguished, without, as we are pleased to learn, much loss to the church.

These occurrences should prompt our citizens to watchfulness, and to an effort to ferret out the offender.

The Engine Companies were promptly on the ground, though there was no occasion for their services. We may add, one Company however did some service. The old Engine, about as big as a box churn, which had been loaned to the boys, was taken by their youthful Company, early to the fire, and being there, the boys amused themselves by extinguishing the embers. They performed very well.—Wilkesbarre Advertiser.

Bounty Land Warrants.

The Washington Republic mentions the case of a soldier with a wooden leg, traveling about the streets of the city, endeavoring to sell a bounty land warrant for 160 acres of land, which the U. S. government had given him, but coupled with a restriction by which he could not make it assignable.

John B. Bratton, Esq., of Cumberland county, has been named as a candidate for Canal Commissioner, in a number of democratic papers. Mr. Bratton is the fearless and energetic editor of the Carlisle Volunteer, one of the ablest orthodox papers in the State, and is abundantly competent to perform the duties of Canal Commissioner.

The Bill compelling the N. Y. and Erie Railroad Company to fence in their track, in Susquehanna County, has passed both branches of our Legislature.

Usury Laws.

Popular prejudice is very difficult to be overcome. It not unfrequently surrounds an absurdity like a strong wall, and protects it successfully from the attacks of enlightenment and reform. From time immemorial, the taking of usury has been denounced as the trade of the oppressor. Severe penalties have been enacted against it, which modern intelligence have mitigated.

Queenston Suspension Bridge. This second structure which spans Niagara River, has recently been opened to the public. The towers are built on each side, and it is 1043 feet from tower to tower.

Country Papers. We wish all who are in the habit of taking city papers, in preference to those published in their own county, to read what Sartain's Magazine says about Country papers.

Willis, the pantelette connoisseur, shirt-collar oracle, and critic de chemise, announces that there is soon to be a new style of new hats. He boldly intimates that Beebe, a Broadway hatter, will introduce at the World's Fair, next summer, a fashion of hats with no right angles.

A PERTINENT QUESTION.—Children born and bred in a village imbibe raucousness and pop at one and at the same time, and draw in impudence and daily bread in about equal proportions. Our bachelor dignity was never more significantly or severely trodden upon, than one day last week, when making some trifling remark to a pert little mix on the street, she looked up to where we are—enthroned in majesty above a standing collar—and with an air of supreme indifference, screamed, "You think you're great don't you? I'd just like to know whose papa you are?"—Lycoming Gazette.

The Wilmot proviso resolutions and restrictions passed last winter in the Illinois Legislature, have been rescinded by a vote of 49 to 11 in the House, and 22 to 2 in the Senate.

CONSUL TO BELFAST.—The President has tendered to H. Jones Brooke, Pennsylvania State Senator from Delaware county, the appointment of Consul to Belfast.

When a Statesman speaks of liberty, he implies the supremacy of the laws—a demagogue means, the caprice of the multitude—a vagabond means, a full license to steal.