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CARLISLE, PA.

Wednesday Morning, December 25, 1844.

☞ Hon. James Black has our thanks for public documents.

NEW YEAR.

☞ We wish all our friends and patrons a happy New Year. And we wish the lady who sent us that splendid mince pie, may live a thousand years and every year send us another of the same.

The Sabbath.

The Quarterly Sermon, having for its general object to promote the better observance of the Holy Sabbath, will be preached on next Sabbath evening, by the Rev. Dr. Durbin, in the First Presbyterian Church. It is understood that the other churches of the Borough, will be closed on that occasion.

Melancholy Accidents.

We are pained to have to announce to our readers the occurrence of two accidents on Saturday last, which resulted in the death of two promising lads.

The first was a son of Mr. Thomas Duffy, of Westpennsboro' township, aged about 10 years. He was run over by a wagon which his father was driving, and was so mangled that he died in an hour.

The other was a son of Mr. Garrett Clark, who resides at Alexander's Mill. One of the workmen about the mill went to the flood-gate for the purpose of closing it, but found it impossible to do so owing to some obstacle—he got a pole to remove the impediment, which proved to be a young son of Mr. Clark, who was entirely dead. It is supposed he had been in the water half an hour when discovered.

☞ The skeleton of a man was found a few days since in the South Mountain, Southampton township, near the head of little Tumbling Run. From the appearance of the clothing found about the skeleton it has probably been there for a year. No circumstance has as yet transpired to lead to any knowledge of who the person was. It is supposed, however, that it may be the body of some hunter, who lost himself in the mountain last winter.

☞ We give in another column of to day's "Herald," at the request of a number of his warm personal and political friends, a letter from Governor Porter to General John Mitchell on the subject of the Tariff. The Governor declares himself in favor of the protective policy, and says that he will always take a firm and decided stand in favor of the true interests of Pennsylvania. We commend the letter to the perusal of our readers.

Congressional.

☞ The proceedings of Congress for the past week have been of no uninteresting a nature that we give but a short letter, which will be found on the opposite page.

Carlisle Brass Band.

☞ We are fond of music—and indeed who is not—such as comes stealing o'er the soul like the sweet south, breathing as a bank of violets, stealing and giving odor"—such as makes us forget our cares and troubles, relieves the mind weighed down by misfortune's rudest shock."—Music, that will make the merchant forget his dollars and cents, the manufacturer his anxiety for the fate of the tariff, the politician his intrigues, and the smooth-faced love-sick swain cry out

"If music be the food of love, play on."

The Carlisle Brass Band entertained our citizens on Wednesday last, from the portico in front of the Mansion House Hotel, and those who had the pleasure of hearing them will admit that if they did not come quite up to the above standard, they gave us at least a slight foretaste of it.

The performance was quite creditable to the young men and if they will but persevere, they will soon become quite an ornament to our borough.

Military Parade.

☞ On Wednesday last, a number of the Field Officers belonging to this Brigade, paraded, agreeably to orders, at Foulk's Hotel, under the command of Brigadier General Edward Armor. The officers present were all in full military costume, and the novelty of the spectacle attracted quite a crowd of spectators, who declared themselves highly delighted with the parade. Among the officers, we noticed Brigade Inspector Lieut Colonel Reuben, Colonel Armstrong Noble, and Major Samuel Greenden of this borough; Major Simon Oyster, of Oyster's Point, and Major Isaac Kissay, of Mechanicsburg, who looked remarkably well and soldier like, and whose dress and equipments were quite unexceptionable. We believe that the object of General Armor in summoning his officers together was for the purpose of perfecting them in the military exercises, acting upon the principle that well disciplined officers alone are competent to command a body of men and teach them the military art; and although there were some "laggards in war" who, by their non attendance, endeavored to thwart the General in his praise worthy exertions, nevertheless the turn out was quite a handsome and brilliant affair.

We trust General Armor will persevere in this matter, as the discipline of our militia is certainly not what it ought to be, except, perhaps, that of the Regiment commanded by Col. Noble, whose "*Grand Charge*" must excite the admiration of every true soldier.

☞ The "Literary Record and Journal of the Linnean Association of Pennsylvania College," in Gettysburg, is the title of a neat monthly publication which has been laid on our table. It is conducted by a Committee of the Association, and the number before us contains a number of admirable contributions on Literary and Scientific subjects from members of the Faculty of the College and other gentlemen. The leading paper in the December number is by our friend Mr. Spencer F. Baird, of this borough.

The spirit evinced by the Association which has commenced the publication of this Journal is certainly commendable, and merits the encouragement not only the Faculty of that Institution but the public. We should like to see a publication of a similar character issued from the academic halls of ancient Dickinson. The Journal is published monthly at $1 per annum.

Sanders' Hotel.

☞ Our worthy friend of the "Washington House," Harrisburg, has recently had his house newly painted and fitted up for the accommodation of the public. Those who desire a comfortable stopping place in Harrisburg, will find the accommodations and fare such as they could desire.

☞ Miss Delia Nobel, who was tried at Frankfort, Kentucky, for poisoning slaves from the effects of which a negro died, was convicted of manslaughter and sentenced to two years imprisonment in the Penitentiary. The Jury however in consideration of her sex have signed a petition to the Governor to pardon her.

Foreign News—Mollarty and O'Connell.

On the opposite page under the head of Foreign News our readers will find two short speeches to which we wish to call their special attention. They are those of Daniel O'Connell and Rev. Dr. Moriarty of Philadelphia. No American can read the speech of the last named individual without feeling the hot blood of indignation rising within him. This is one Rev. Dr. has been feasted and petted by the Philadelphians—he has received every kindness from the hands of Americans that he could have desired—and yet when once across the water, he who had so well played the gentleman, hero, comes out in his true character and shows himself the base ingrate.

It is no new thing for us to be assailed and traduced by vagabond book-makers, who have no interest in our country and who cannot therefore be supposed capable of that sympathy that should make them blind to its faults or kind to its virtues. But we were not prepared to hear the vile epithets and lies of this Rev. slanderer. We see in him a man who sought this land for the exercise of civil privileges, and for the enjoyments of a home, go forth among a foreign people, and in the midst of a multitude of listeners, traduce the place of his voluntary chosen residence and the community for which he had pretended to form a sympathetic part. The falsehoods which the Rev. gentleman has uttered in relation to the character of Philadelphia, must sink him to the deepest depth of infamy. His lie three times attempted in the streets of Philadelphia. A fouler libel was never penned or uttered. He would not have dared give utterance to a statement so utterly destitute of even the shadow of truth, whilst remaining in the United States. Conciliation Hall, in which it hall abuse of the United States from the lips of O'Connell, forms a large portion of the proceedings, was a fitting place for the utterance of this falsehood.

Case of Dorr.

The Supreme Court of the United States decided on Friday that it had no right to grant the writ of Habeas Corpus prayed for by Mr. Dorr, through his counsel.

Mr. Torrey Sentenced.

The motion in arrest of judgment, and for a new trial in Mr. Torry, convicted in Baltimore, of an attempt to entice away the slaves of a citizen, have been refused and overruled, and the following sentence was passed.

"On the first indictment, confinement in the Penitentiary from December 28th, 1844, to 2d of April 1847. On the second indictment, until 2d April, 1849. On the third indictment, until 2d April, 1851."

[BY REQUEST.]

LETTER OF GOV. PORTER TO J. MITCHELL, ESQ. ON THE TARIFF.

Harrisburg, Dec. 7, 1844.

Dear Sir—I duly received yours of the 30th ult., and am pleased to find that in all the fluctuations and turmoils which political life has involved me, I keep my hold upon those old and cherished friends who have known me longest and best. No one who has paid attention, like yourself, to the history of Pennsylvania, and to my own course in connection with that history, will be at a loss to know my opinions on any of the leading questions in which our Commonwealth is interested. They are all recorded, and have been expressed as emphatically and under such circumstances as to leave no doubt of their sincerity. I have always been averse to disturbing my opinions upon the public subjects more easily on which they have not been properly called out. I have never, however, hesitated to express my opinions, and to back them by my acts when duty required it at my hands. In writing to you therefore, I do not write for the public, but only to recal to the recollection of one who has been my early friend, the course that has characterized my public conduct in relation to the great and leading subject in which Pennsylvania is so deeply interested.

On the subject of encouraging the production and manufactures of our country, I early embraced my father's opinions, which were those of the democratic republican party in the days of Mr. Jefferson.

I first entered public life in the House of Representatives of our State at the session of 1819-20.

On the 20th of January, 1820, the following resolution was introduced by the Committee on Manufactures:

"Resolved, &c. That our Senators and Representatives from this State in Congress be requested to use their efforts to have the tariff so modified as to meet the prohibitories, and prohibitory duties of foreign powers and afford effectual encouragement and protection to the industry of our citizens."

When this resolution was called up for second reading and consideration, a motion was made to strike out all after the word "Resolved" and insert in lieu thereof "to encourage domestic manufactures." Against the amendment I voted, as leading to a rescission of opinion in favor of domestic manufactures.

It was, however, adopted by a majority, and on the final passage of the resolution I voted for it as amended.

By a reference to the journal of the session of 1835-'36, while a Senator, my vote is recorded in favor of a resolution instructing our Senators, &c., in Congress to oppose the passage of any bill which might have for its object any reduction of the tariff. I give you but a single reference to my votes in both branches of the Legislature; but they will be found on examination to have been recorded in favor of every measure having a tendency to sustain a protective tariff, introduced during my legislative career.

Since my election to the office which I now fill, and from which I shall shortly retire, I have availed myself of my official station to urge on every suitable occasion, the necessity of protecting and encouraging the domestic industry of the country. The portion of my inaugural address, which first elected, on that subject, was brief, it is true, because I could not, in such a document, treat much at length on any subject, but in my annual messages I have endeavored every opportunity to recommend its importance to the Legislature.

In my last I said—

"It is no disparagement to her sister States to assume that Pennsylvania, in her geographical position, and in her mineral and agricultural resources is surpassed by none in the Union. Her population, for hardy and effective industry, presents a model worthy of all praise, and this industry, devoted to a constant development of her vast mineral wealth, cannot fail, in good time, to produce the most astonishing results.

"There is hardly a mountain or valley within their borders, that does not abound in deposits of coal or iron. Our canals and railroads penetrate almost every one of these mineral regions, and furnish them with a cheap and ready highway to market.

"All those entrusted with the guardianship of the public welfare, are but true to their trust, the day is not far distant when Pennsylvania must become the great work-shop of the American Union, for the production of coal and iron, and the fabrics constructed from the two materials. If these great interests are surrendered to some imaginary, theoretic Arcadian scheme of free trade, we may still continue to serve as hewers of wood and drawers of water to foreign capitalists and artizans, and our inexhaustible mineral deposits may be useless, for ages. I trust, however, the people of this Commonwealth will never be seduced into a surrender of their deepest rights."

"The policy of standing by her own interests has been for the last half century, too deeply fixed in Pennsylvania to be abandoned without a struggle and those of her public servants who would advise the surrender of any of her staple productions, without the fostering succor of the Government, will soon find out how mistaken an estimate of popular feeling they have relied. It is idle to talk of experiments of trade, when England will not receive our flour unless a prohibitory duty of less than three dollars per barrel for us to receive her's, and American free trade and reciprocity of duties, like the golden rule, are beautiful and benign in theory, and if universally obeyed, would, in practice, render mankind better and more acceptable to their Maker—but unhappily, the obligation is voluntarily, and as we recently by the less costly and grasping of men and nations who are used for their own ends by interest. This fundamental truth is taught by history, and was familiar to old fellow. Come what will, for one, I have faith in the ultimate triumph of the principles of protection to American industry, and I cannot desert the standard of Pennsylvania, and for one, have faltered in the support of principles which I believe essential to the prosperity of the State, and the best interests of the country. If we are to be struck with utter imbecility and paralysis in our efforts to maintain the principles of protection, because we are told that the Democracy of the Union will desert us, I trust we will never be found among the deserters. Let us stand by our colors, and if we fall, fall like men, battling for the right."

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