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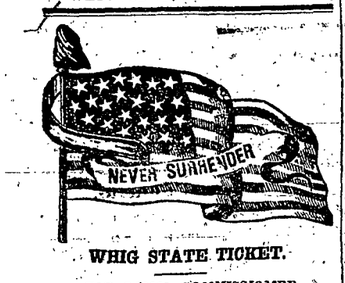

WHIG STATE TICKET.

FOR CANAL COMMISSIONER,

JOSHUA DUNGAN

OF BUCKS COUNTY.

FOR AUDITOR GENERAL,

HENRY W. SNYDER,

OF UNION COUNTY.

FOR SURVEYOR GENERAL,

JOSEPH HENDERSON,

OF WASHINGTON COUNTY.

Activity, Harmony and Fidelity!

Resolved, That, with a view to sustain the Executive by the association of men—men of high character, sound political opinions, and large experience, we have this day nominated JOSHUA DUNGAN, JOSEPH HENDERSON, and HENRY W. SNYDER; surrounded by such men, and no longer embarassed by adverse associations, the Whig Governor can, without fear or difficulty, carry into successful execution all measures necessary for the public good; for their election, and with it, the election of a *Legislative majority*, so important in every respect, we invoke *activity, harmony* and *fidelity* in the Whig ranks from one end of the State to the other.—*Resolution of the Whig State Convention.*

From Washington.

Rumors from Washington mention that Hon. Thomas M. T. McKennan has resigned the post of Secretary of the Interior. Another despatch contradicts the rumor. The Fugitive Slave bill passed the Senate on Monday. It is said the President will veto it on the ground of unconstitutionality of its provisions. Mr. Clay returned to Washington on Monday.

The Locofoco County Meeting.

According to custom our opponents held their annual county meeting in the Court House on Monday evening. We looked in a few minutes and are sure we shall not be accused of misrepresentation when we say that there were not more than one hundred persons present in the room, and that of these there could not have been more than sixty of the party which called the meeting. But still, we suppose it will be cracked up as "a county meeting"—small, and dull and sleepy as it was. The leaders of the two factions were there watching each other like hawks—the Old Hunkers, unable to conceal how sorely their "combs were cut" in the recent nominating Convention, and the Cameronians swelling with exultation over their triumph. Messrs. Hepburn, W. H. Miller, and Judges Stuart and Clendenin were the orators of the evening. The two former, of course dwelt strongly upon the propriety of supporting "regular nominations," and "principles not men." This was responded to by Judge Stuart, who announced, to the great satisfaction of the meeting, that there were no such things as "Cameron factions," or "Miller factions."—This is particularly true, we suppose, since the meeting of the County Convention, as the old Hunkers of the "Miller faction," who are now chained in abject submission to the dashing chariot-wheels of Gen. Simon Cameron, have lost all consciousness of their former sway and blustering leadership. At the conclusion of the speeches, which were exceedingly lame and prosy (although Judge Clendenin was certainly under obligations to treat them to a "burst of eloquence," after declaring that to be called upon to speak to a democratic meeting was one of the highest privileges on earth!) the committee on resolutions made report. The resolutions touched upon "democratic principles," banks, tariffs, &c., but how the meeting reconciled its opposition to these with the nomination of Henry Church and the support of Gen. Cameron, we shall not be able to understand distinctly until we see them published.—On the whole the meeting was felt to be a humiliating demonstration by all whom circumstances forced into it. The Cameron faction felt that there was but little in it to be proud of, while the vanquished Old Hunkers attended unwillingly, and studiously refrained from taking any part which could give *eclat* to the triumph of their opponents. The ancient invincible democratic party of Old Mother Cumberland has undoubtedly had its back broken!

☞ The *Pennsylvanian* of yesterday contains the opinion of Judge Grier, delivered in the Circuit court of the United States in Eastern district of Pennsylvania, on the application of the Parkers for injunctions against certain Mill-owners whom they alledged infringed on their patent water wheels. The Court refused the application for injunctions, thus virtually putting an end to the claims of the Parkers.—Cadwalader and Campbell for the Parkers—Mallery, Penrose and Watts for respondents.

☞ The Volunteer swallows the "regular nominations" with admirable complacency and philosophy. As the Volunteer remarked in derision some weeks ago, "perhaps Gen. Cameron wants a couple of members from Cumberland to vote for his election to the U. S. Senate"—and now perhaps the Volunteer itself has to help secure those two identical members! The Hunkers seem to be pretty thoroughly whipped. All they ask of the Cameronians is—"gentlemen, you have us down, but dont for pity's sake point your fingers at us!"

GOV. JOHNSON ON THE STUMP!—The Union Star contains a call for a grand Rally of the Whig of staunch old Union county on the 17th of September, at which Gov. Johnson has accepted an invitation to be present.

☞ Prof. Webster has caused to be published in the Boston papers a long communication on the explosion of camphine. It might be thought he has other things to think of just now.

☞ A NATIONAL EDUCATION MEETING will be held in Philadelphia on Wednesday next, the 28th instant.

THE JENNY LIND TICKETS.—We see it stated that Barnum intends to sell the seats for Jenny's concert at auction; that the tickets are to be differently colored, each color to have particular rows of seats designated by lamps colored like the tickets. Gentleman ushers, with colored wands, are to escort the fortunate and happy possessors of the tickets to their seats.

State of Society in Philadelphia.

The local items in the papers of Philadelphia and the adjoining districts have for some time past been of a startling and alarming character. Shameful riots are of nightly occurrence; arson is a common crime; while murders of the most outrageous character are perpetrated boldly in the streets. The impunity with which these crimes are committed, and facility of escape after the deed is done, argue a most lamentable system of police. Take a couple of recent instances for example.

On Sunday morning week, a little after 1 o'clock, a *Swiss* by the name of ARMSTEUT was shot down at the corner of Eighth and South streets, Moyamensing. No other cause than pure wantonness is assigned for the commission of the horrid deed. The murdered man had been in the country only a few months. A man by the name of Patrick McCLAIN, said to be the guilty person, and an accessary named McILVAINE, have been arrested and committed to prison for further examination. Neither of them are over 21 years of age. The probability is that by perjury on the part of their associates—proving an alibi—they will yet escape punishment.

On Monday evening week, about 8 o'clock, another murder of even more atrocious character, was committed in Gaskill, near South st, Southwark. The victim in this case was Mr. *Charels Burd*, a watch-maker and an estimable citizen, who had just left his store in Fifth street near South, with a small box of his most valuable watches and jewelry, which he was taking home. He was set upon by three or four men and *stabbed to the heart!* The murderers then fled with the box, and the poor man followed them full half a square, crying 'murder,' when he fell down and expired. A number of persons witnessed the deed—and yet the murderers every one of them escaped! This, too, be it remembered in a populous part of the city—at 8 o'clock in the evening when most of the people are in the streets! Is anything further needed to show the inefficiency of the present miserable police system that serves to encourage rather than prevent crime?

Nor is this all. The columns of the city papers are filled with outrages of a kindred character. We copy a few from last Tuesday's Ledger, for example:

Outrageous Doings.—About dusk, on *Sunday evening*, a party of rowdies, in a wagon, *discharged a volley of fire arms* at a crowd of young fellows standing in Lombard street, above Broad, and then, with a loud hurra, they drove down Broad street at a rapid pace. The party were supposed to be adherents of the Franklin hose company of Moyamensing.—Though no person was hurt by the discharge, yet the affair caused considerable excitement. The party in the wagon proceeded as far as Shippen street, when they cried out "Go t Moya," and were *fired at by a crowd*, who, though friendly, were deceived by the above cry. Three of the party, Thomas Wylie, John Finnegan, and another named Cunningham, are said to have been wounded, Finnegan seriously.

Mark the coolness with which this is told.—But here is another specimen of the *Sunday* evening amusements in the city of 'brotherly love.'(!)

Firemen Attacked!—The Mechanic Engine company was attacked in 8th Street below South, Moyamensing, on *Sunday*, when returning from the fire. *A volley of bricks* was thrown which partially drove the members from the rope, but the presence of the city police at South street, deterred the rowdies who made the attack from committing further violence.

The presence of the 'city police' seems to have spoiled the sport. The Moyamensing police are more considerate and never interfere in such matters. But to continue our extracts:

Stabbing.—Thomas Dardis, was on *Sunday* evening stabbed by a comrade, William Herron, in the vicinity of Seventh and St. Mary streets. Though the wound of Dardis was in the breast, it is not thought to be serious. *He was not arrested.*

Here is another of the same sort:

Rioting.—Yesterday (Monday) morning, four men, giving their names as Robert Moffit, William Ellis, Samuel McClain and John Greenleaf, were charged before the Mayor with riotous conduct, in the neighborhood of South and Schuylkill Seventh streets, between 9 and 10 o'clock, on Saturday night, and firing at officer Stevens. *Pistols* were found upon Greenleaf and Moffit. They were all bound over in $1000 bail. Several suspicious persons were taken up during the night, *some with deadly weapons upon their persons*, who were taken care of by the Mayor.

The same paper of the same date, has the following account of doings in the Northern districts:

Another Row.—Last evening, (Monday) there was a running fight in Brown Street, from New Market to third, between the adherents, or runners of the Lafayette and Northern Liberty Hose Companies, *in which stones were freely used and one pistol discharged.*—As far as we could learn, no one was hurt, *nor were any of the rioters arrested.* Some of the parties to the fight had just returned from an excursion up the river.

If any of our good citizens, remarks the Reading Journal, are disposed to visit Philadelphia they should do so in squads, well armed after the manner of western adventurers in passing through the territories of hostile tribes of Indians, or across the robber regions of Mexico. This is the only safe plan. We had rather encounter a Camanche Indian or Mexican guerrilla, than a Southwark or Moyamensing desperado bent on revenge or plunder. As for the police of those districts, we don't know but what it would be as well to fall among the Philistines at once as to get into their clutches.

Adams County Items.

PENNSYLVANIA COLLEGE COMMENCEMENT.—The annual catalogue of Pennsylvania College, for 1850, shows the institution to be in a flourishing condition. The total number of students is 142, divided thus: Seniors 18, Juniors 30, Sophomores 12, Freshmen 17, Partial Course 9, Preparatory Department 56. The annual commencement takes place on the third Thursday of September. The Baccalaureate Address to the Senior class will be delivered by the President, on the Sabbath preceding. On Wednesday afternoon, the annual discourse before the Linnaean Association will be delivered by Hon. W. D. Kelly, of Philadelphia.

☞ Peter Hake, the young man who was so severely burned in the college building on Wednesday evening week, whilst filling a lamp with camphine, expired on Saturday morning last.

On last Monday, Mr. John Speck, in the employ of John Kindig, jr., of Union township, dropped down dead whilst engaged in loading manure.

Samuel R. Russell has been appointed Associate Judge, by Gov. Johnson, in place of Hon. George Smyser, resigned; and S. S. McCreary, Notary Public, in place of Samuel R. Russell, resigned.

WASHINGTON RUMORS.—WASHINGTON, Aug. 22.—Many rumors are afloat that the administration are about making important removals in Bureau's. The following withdrawals are spoken of: Stephen Pleasanton, 5th Auditor Treasury; Jas. Q. Edwards, and Thos. Ewbank, Comm's. of Pensions, and Patents; Anderson, Chief Clerk Treasury department to be removed. It is said that Daniel Webster has proposed the President of France as arbitrator o settle the claims on Portugal.

Slave Excitement at Harrisburg.

Decision of the Court—Riot—Arrest of Slaves and Owners.

By telegraph to the city papers we have the following account of a disturbance in Harrisburg, similar to that which occurred in our own streets a couple of years since:

HARRISBURG, August 24.

Commonwealth vs. Samuel Wilson, George Brook and Billy—*Larceny.* These three defendants, negroes, escaped during the month of July, from their masters, in Clark county, Va., near Battletown, or Berryville, and on the same night the owners of the negroes missed also three horses, saddles and bridles.

Wm. Taylor, the owner of two of the slaves, and George H. Eisler, a resident of Berryville, arrived here some days ago, and made information before Henry Beader, Esq., charging the above named defendants with larceny and fugitives from justice. Upon this a warrant was issued, and the men were arrested and lodged in jail.

On last Tuesday, an application was made to the court, then in session, to bring these men before them, on a writ of *habeas corpus*, the next morning, which was granted, and the next day the court decided to postpone the case until Friday, in order to dispose of the jury trials first.

On last Friday, the defendants were brought into court, and were defended by Mr. Rawn and Judge McKinney. The owners, Wm. Taylor and George H. Eisler, underwent a long examination, and it was conclusively proven, as the Court admitted, that these men were slaves from the State of Virginia, and that the horses stolen were, no doubt, used for the purpose of rendering their escape from bondage more easy and effective.

The whole day of Friday was occupied by this examination and the argument by counsel on both sides, the prosecution of which was conducted by Messrs. Kunkel, Lamberton and Carson, when on Saturday morning his Honor, Judge Pierson, delivered his opinion, deciding that the slaves could not be held on the charge of larceny, and ordering that they should be discharged, to be taken possession of by their lawful owners.

Upon the announcement of the above decision, the owners of the slaves and their assistants proceeded to the jail, in order to seize their men as soon as the keeper of the prison would discharge them. A great crowd, chiefly composed of colored persons, had by this time assembled in front of the jail, and all the avenues leading to the prison were filled with men, women and boys, of all colors, and as soon as the doors of the prison were opened, and while the slaves were still in the vestibule of the prison, Mr. Taylor seized hold of one of his men, when the slaves resisted and a general melee commenced between master and slave, in which the slaves were finally overpowered and handcuffed, but not until some severe, but not dangerous wounds were inflicted on both sides, in which the slaves fared decidedly the worst, but one made his escape, and is, no doubt, safe enough ere this.

While this melee or scuffle was going on, the negroes outside encouraged and some assisted the slaves as much as possible, but were principally prevented from doing much harm to the men engaged in the recapture, by the large iron grated door in front of the vestibule, which was closed. The Court was made acquainted with the facts of a riot having actually commenced, or was about to commence. Upon this information they ordered all the men engaged in the vestibule of the jail to be detained, on a charge of assault and battery, with intent to create a riot, and all parties, slaves and owners were committed to prison.

Immediately after the affair was somewhat settled by the confinement of all parties, the court commenced issuing bench warrants for the arrest of the ringleaders, aiders, and abetters in the riot, and ten arrests were actually made in the course of an hour. These men were placed under heavy bail, and some of them committed.

On the assembling of the Court in the afternoon, application was made for a writ of *habeas corpus*, to bring those owners and assistants in the recapture before Court, and ask their discharge from confinement. This was granted, and the case was immediately brought up before the Court, who, after a lengthy examination on the part of the Commonwealth, only bound the parties over in the sum of $500 each, to appear and answer at the next Court of Quarter Sessions.

In the evening, Mr. Taylor came before the Court, and made information against the slaves as participants and actuators in the riot, on which the slaves were committed, and they are now in jail; but there will, no doubt, be a writ of habeas corpus issued on the next Tuesday, (to which day the Court adjourned) on which the slaves will be heard, and if liberated on bail we may expect another tumult.

The uproar and excitement during this day was very great, and the judge of the court thought it advisable to call on General Seiler for volunteers, who promptly obeyed the order, and had in a very short time a sufficient number of able bodied men under his command, armed with muskets, and bayonets fixed, to disperse the mob, principally composed of colored men and women, from the front of the jail. All is quiet now, but I fear the worst is not over, as the owners seem to be determined to reclaim their property at all hazards.

☞ Since the riot the owners of the slaves have been released from confinement on the charge of assault and battery.

Whig Nominations.

The Whigs of Lancaster have re-nominated their eloquent Representative, Thaddeus Stevens, for Congress, and Messrs. C. L. Hunsecker, Bartram A. Shaeffer, Robert Baldwin, Jacob Nissley, and James Cowden for Assembly. John L Thompson, Esq., for Prosecuting Attorney.

The Whigs of Mercer County have concurred in the nomination of the Hon. J. W. Howe for Congress, and further, nominated C. G. Carver, for the State Senate; and J. G. Cunningham, for Assembly.

The Whig Senatorial Conferees of Adams and Franklin counties met in conference on Thursday of last week and unanimously nominated Thomas Carson, Esq., of Franklin, as the Whig candidate for the office of State Senator.

The Locofocos of York county on Thursday nominated Wm. H. Kurtz, for Congress; Jacob S. Haldeman, Alex. C. McCurdy, and Edwin C. Thorne, for Assembly; and James E. Buchanan for District Attorney.

ABOLITION CONVENTION.—A convention composed about equally of whites and blacks, has been in session in Cazenovia, N. Y., Frederick Douglass in the chair. Thirty fugitive slaves were in attendance, who adopted an address of a very incendiary character, which was afterwards adopted by the convention. Another address has been issued to the abolitionists of the north, recommending W. L. Chaplin, who is now in the Washington prison, for the abduction of slaves, as a candidate for the Presidency. The Convention has not, so far, produced any very obvious impression, nor is it very probable that Mr. Chaplin will ever attain the position so munificently tendered to him by this convention. The Convention, being against all churches and all corporations, met in one of nature's fairest groves: Resolutions were adopted against the North, against the South, against Free Soil, and against almost everything and everybody. Their ultraism has disgusted even the extreme people of that ultra section of the State.

APPLES ON A GRAPE VINE.—Decatur E. Nice, Esq of Pottsville grows a grape vine twined round an apple tree. The vine has for years bore blossoms but no fruit. This year fruit appears, which externally is apple, with its down, its flush, its tufted crown, &c., internally the pulpy texture is more grape than apple, but the seed and capsular tegument favor the apple.

☞ The Portuguese difficulty, we are happy to say, has been settled. The Portuguese government is to pay all claims of the United States, except the claim on account of the privateer Armstrong, which is to be referred to a third power, chosen by our government, for adjustment.

Interesting from New Mexico.

ST. LOUIS, August 20.—The Republican has received intelligence from Santa Fe to the 16th ult. The elections under the State Constitution of New Mexico took place on the 30th of June, and resulted in the choice of Dr. Henry Connelly for Governor, and Emanuel Alvarez for Lieut. Gov. Wm. S. Messerdy was elected Representative to Congress, by 500 majority over Hugh N. Smith. Members of the Legislature were also elected, and the body convened at the time appointed by the State Constitution, when some curious scenes were enacted. The parties are divided—one advocating the territorial, and the other State Government.—A member of the Senate presented his credentials and was admitted, but it being afterwards found that he would not vote with the majority, he was excluded from taking his seat, and his opponent admitted. Hereupon a number of Senators and Representatives withdrew, leaving the House without a quorum. The remaining members took upon themselves the responsibility to fill the vacant seats with men enough to form a quorum, and proceeded with the business. Major K. H. Whiteman and Major F. A Cunningham, both late paymasters in the United States army, were elected U. S. Senators.

The Indians were continuing their depredations throughout all parts of New Mexico.

An express which left Santa Fe several days after this party, brought sealed despatches and orders for two thousand stand of arms.

The wife of Capt. Eustin, of the U. S. A., died at Santa Fe on the 20th of July.

The crops of New Mexico were very firm and promising.

Major Whiteman is expected to arrive here (St. Louis) in a few days, on his way to Washington.

Important from Texas.

NEW ORLEANS, August 22.—Galveston dates to the 18th inst., have been received. The Legislature met on the 12th instant. The Governor's message was received. It proceeds to speak of the unwarrantable assumption of power of the federal Executive, by direct interference with the municipal affairs of a sovereign State, and pronounces discussion useless. No reliance must be placed on the delusive hope of justice to Texas; but we must assert and maintain our rights at all hazards and to the last extremity.

The only course left is the immediate adoption of necessary measures for the occupation of Santa Fe, with ample force to repel the arrogant and rebellious spirit existing. Should such measures produce a conflict with the present authorities, unlawfully established, and shake the confederacy to its centre, Texas will stand exonerated before the world. Authority is asked to raise supplies for two mounted regiments for the occupancy of Santa Fe; also, for a force sufficient to enable the civil authority to execute the laws.

It also says, however willing Texas may be to dispose of a portion of her Northwestern boundary, no respectable party could accept of the propositions embraced in the Compromise bill, but if a proposition had been offered to purchase that part north of 34 degrees latitude, with proper guarantee and observance of the rules of annexation, it would have been satisfactory.

The news of the engrossment of Pearce's Senate bill, with the President's message respecting Gov. Bell's letter, was received at Galveston on the 17th, and produced great dissatisfaction.

The papers say the measure will arouse feelings of indignation throughout the State not easily allayed.

From California.

New York, Aug. 21.—The steamer Philadelphia, Capt. Pearson, from Chagres, 7th inst., arrived here this morning with one million of gold dust, bringing dates from San Francisco to the 15th July.

The accounts from the various diggings are favorable. New diggings have been discovered lately, on the upper waters of the Yuba and Feather rivers, which promise well, but the waters are yet too high to work them successfully.

A lump of gold and quartz, weighing thirty pounds, has been dug at the dry diggings.

In the Southern mines many murders have been committed by Chilians and Mexicans upon American miners.

The settlement at Trinidad Bay was in a state of conflict with the Indians, and eight have been killed.

At Humbolt and Klamath the same difficulties exist, and many Indians have been killed.

The first wagon across the plains had arrived at San Francisco, with W. H. Moore, and family, from Indiana. The party started on their journey on the 10th of April.

Slave Insurrection.

WASHINGTON, August 22.—We learn that a slave insurrection, in which about four hundred negroes were engaged, was discovered in Lowndes county, Ala., last week. The rendezvous of the negroes was fired into by the whites, when one of the slaves was killed, and twenty others wounded—some of them fatally—the balance obtained safety in flight. It is said that the slaves had been incited by some person who had been loitering about the plantations for some time. Large parties are in pursuit of him, and a reward of $600 has been offered for his apprehension. It is thought that he has fled towards Charleston. A general massacre of the whites is supposed to have been intended.

The above report is since declared to be a *hoax.*

☞ The Canal Commissioners have given public notice, that sealed proposals will be received by them until the 10th of October next, for the sale of all that part of the Philadelphia and Columbia Railroad extending from the eastern end of the Schuylkill Inclined Plane, (including the Schuylkill viaduct) to the corner of Vine & Broad Streets, in the city of Philadelphia—together with all the real estate and old materials upon the part of the road rendered useless by the new road to avoid the Schuylkill Inclined Plain. The proceeds of said sale shall not be less than $200,000, and are to be applied to laying a second track for six miles east of Columbia, and to straighten such short curves and re-lay such portions of the Railroad as the Canal Commissioners may deem necessary.

EXCITEMENT IN DANVILLE.—A Miss Smith, formerly of Luzerne county, died a few days since at Danville, Pa., under circumstances leading to suspicion that she was the victim o a dreadful outrage. Her death-bed disclosures caused the arrest of a lawyer named Rankin and William H. Crandall, a physician of the town in which she formerly lived. Crandall has been committed to the Bloomsburg jail.

LARGE STATES.—The area of New Mexico, if the bill passed by the Senate a few days since goes through the House, will be not far from one hundred and fifty thousand square miles. The territory will be over three times as large as the State of New York, which contains forty six thousand square miles.

U. S. Congress.

TUESDAY, August 2

In the Senate the Fugitive Slave bill was taken up and Mr. Mason's amendment adopted without a division. It provides in effect, that three commissioners shall be appointed in each county by the federal judges of the several judicial districts, who shall hear and declare, in a fair manner, every case of an alleged fugitive from slavery, the deposition or affidavit of the owner, certified before some judicial officer in the State from which the slave may have fled, and proof of the identity of the person claimed to be sufficient proof to warrant the delivery of the fugitive to the claimant, who shall be subject to no further molestation in the conveyance of his slave back to the place from which he had fled, the decision of the Commissioner being final. The Marshal and his deputies are directed to execute the warrants issued by these commissioners, and a penalty of six months imprisonment, or a fine of one thousand dollars is imposed upon those who shall aid in the escape of a slave from his claimant. It also provides that if the slave is rescued from the claimant after being delivered into his hands by the commissioner, his or her slave shall be paid out of the Treasury of the United States.

Several other amendments were proposed, but not acted on. Previous to adjourning, Mr. Underwood gave notice in the form of an amendment for the entire bill, which was ordered to be printed.

In the House various amendments of no special interest were made to the appropriation bill.

WEDNESDAY, August, 21.

In the Senate the Fugitive Slave Bill was under consideration. Mr. Pratt's amendment, making the United States liable for the value of an escaped slave when the Federal officers may fail to deliver him up to the claimants, was debated all day without coming to a vote.

In the House the Civil and Diplomatic appropriation bill was taken up, and amended in several unimportant particulars. The principal feature of the day was a warm discussion between Mr. Stanton, of Tennessee, and Thaddeus Stevens, of Pennsylvania. Mr. Stanton accused the late Administration of blunderings in regard to Portugal, and of sending a squadron to Lisbon to intimidate that Government. Mr. Stevens, as a friend of the late Administration, repelled the charge with characteristic energy and success.

The Congressional proceedings of Saturday were confined to those of the House, the Senate not having been that day in session, and, excepting one single particular, were of but limited interest. The exception was of vast importance to the country, being nothing less than an amendment offered to the Civil and Diplomatic Approbation bill, by Mr. Hampton, provided that the duties now laid upon all imported goods should be levied upon the average value of such goods in the year 1846, when the existing tariff law was passed. As it will be remembered that, in that year, foreign goods were generally higher than now, iron in particular, the effect of such amendment would have been to increase custom-house duties to somewhat of a protective character, and Pennsylvania would have felt the blessing. The amendment, it is understood, is substantially the views of the late Secretary of the Treasury, which had been previously urged upon and rejected by the Committee of Ways and Means. We are sorry to say it met no better fate from the House. Mr. Toombs excepted to it on a point of order, and the Speaker, overruling precedent, decided it to be out of order.—and his decision was sustained, upon appeal, by a poor majority of four votes. It is quite astonishing the courageous indifference with which Congress can refuse relief to the deep and grinding wrongs of a patriotic American State like Pennsylvania, while eager to vote away the public treasure and the nation's honor, to silence the senseless clamors of a half rebel and half foreign State like Texas. Mr. Hampton deserves credit for his attempt, though unavailing, which was, moreover, as we are aware, only the last of a series of efforts, made in various ways, and all aiming at the same desirable end of relief to Pennsylvania by a return to the protective policy.

THE FORREST DIVORCE CASE.—Mr. Forrest, the tragedian, has published his declaration or complaint before the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas in the city and county of Philadelphia, asking a decree of divorce from his wife, whom he charges with adultery with seven different persons, the same whose names figured in the former petition to our Legislature. Mr. Forrest swears that his statement is true to the best of his knowledge and belief; that the said complaint is not made out of levity and by collusion between him and her, the said Catherine, and for the mere purpose of being freed and seperated from each other, but in sincerity and truth for the cause mentioned in the said libel.

Indiana Election.

INDIANAPOLIS, August 24. The result of the election held in this State on the 5th inst, has been fully ascertained. The Democrats have a majority of 29 in the Convention to frame a new Constitution; and in the State Legislature the same party has on joint ballot a majority of 15.

Missouri Election.

ST. LOUIS, August 24. It is pretty well ascertained that the Whigs in this State have elected four out of the five Congressmen, making a Whig gain of four members for the thirty second Congress. There is also a strong Legislative majority against Col. Benton.

LEGAL MATRIMONIAL OPINION.—We notice Judge Lowrie, vie at Pittsburg, has recently decided that a wife possessed of property in her own right, under the Pennsylvania law relative to the rights of married women in regard to property, passed in 1848, cannot be permitted to become bail for her husband for the stay of execution of a judgement for debt.

NEW ENGLAND COLLEGE.—In the New England Colleges in 1840, there was an aggregate of two thousand and ninety-three students; in 1847, one thousand nine hundred and thirteen—decrease 180. This decrease is abundantly accounted for, however, by the rapid growth of college institutions West and South.

THE EFFECT.—There are in Danville and vicinity, 118 uninhabited dwelling houses, as ascertained by the Deputy Marshal, in taking the census. It affords a sad commentary on the influence of the tariff of 1846.

☞ The Camp Meeting at Shrewsbury, York county, numbered near 400 tents. Last Sunday week, it is said, there were 10,000 persons on the ground. Rev. Messrs. Silcer, Sargeant, Barnes, and other distinguished preachers of the Methodist Church being present.

THE PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD will be opened about the 1st proximo to Hollidaysburg. At Hollidaysburg the road connects with the Portage Railroad to Johnstown, a distance of 280 miles.

BISHOP ONDERDONK.—Rumor says that this prelate will, at the next convocation of the fathers of the Church, offer his resignation and indicate his preference for a successor.

The Tariff of 1846!

POVERTY.—We are sorry to see it stated that there is a great deal of distress existing in Allegheny, Pa., at present. The cause is probably the stoppage of the Cotton Factories, which is felt in a greater or less degree by almost every inhabitant. The following is the number of operatives thrown out of employment:

Eagle Cotton Factory,	220
Hope " "	290
Penn, " "	290
Anchor, " "	210
Star, " "	180
Washington, "	30
Total,	1220.

We regret to learn that the proprietors of these establishments, have suffered such severe losses, owing to the tremendous quantity of imported goods brought into the market, that they have determined to keep their mills closed for some months. Indeed they have fixed on no time for reopening them.

HARRISBURG, Aug 24.—The locomotive of last night's train came in contact with a cow, when about four miles from this city, which caused the engine and tender to upset, smashing the passenger car, which contained a large number of emigrants.

Albert Bryant, one of the passengers was instantly killed. Five others were seriously injured. One of them was brought up to the city this morning, and is not expected to survive.

☞ Perhaps the ultra furious course of Mr. Toombs upon the slavery question, may in some part be accounted for, by the fact that within a year or two, he has bought of the State of Texas some 50,000 acres of land, somewhere, we understand, near the disputed line.

THE HON. THOS. T. MCKENNAN, Secretary of the Interior, has left Washington for his home his health being somewhat impaired. It is hoped that a few days will restore his health.

Camp-Meeting.

A Camp Meeting will be held for Carlisle Circuit on the land of Mr. John Dunlap, about four miles South of Mechanicsburg, to commence on the 6th of September, 1850. Preachers and people from the neighboring stations and circuits are respectfully invited to attend.—Persons desiring to tent on the ground, will please bring their tent frames along with them. aug28tc. JAS. SANKS, P. E.

Ledger and News.

THE undersigned hereby gives notice that on and after the first of September the daily Ledger, News, &c., will not be served by a carrier at the residence of subscribers. The subscribers to these papers are therefore requested to call at the book store for their papers. Aug 22,'50 1m. DAVID MARTIN.

ROPES.

A FULL assortment of ROPES just received by the subscriber. Also, Glass Tubes for Lightning Rods for sale cheap by H. SAXTON. aug28

Pure Cider Vinegar,

One barrel pure cider vinegar, from the country, suitable for pickling—just received by aug 28,'50. GEO. W. HITNER.

To Shoemakers.

2 GROSS steel slides for Jenny Lind shoes, just received by G W HITNER. aug 28, 1850.

York and Cumberland Rail Road Co.

THE stockholders in this Company are hereby notified that an election will be held on the 23d of September next, between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M. and 2 o'clock P. M., at the office of the Company in York, for choosing a President and six Directors for the ensuing year.

Also—that a meeting of the stockholders will be held at Brown's Eyre Building, in Baltimore, *on Monday evening, the 16th of September*, to receive the annual report By order, Aug. 21, 1c. ELI LEWIS, *Secretary.*

Estate of Thos. C. Reeme, Dec'd.

Letters of administration on the estate of Thomas C. Reeme, late of Shiremanstown, Cumberland county, deceased, have been granted by the register of said county, to the subscriber, residing in Dauphin county. He will attend on Monday the 2d of September, and every other Monday for two months thereafter at the residence of the deceased, where all persons indebted are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims to present them for settlement to DANIEL SIBELL, Aug 22,'50 6t. *Administrator.*

Orphans' Court Sale.

On THURSDAY, the 3d of October, 1850.

BY virtue of an order of the Orphans' Court of Cumberland county, and an authority for the parties in interest who are of age, the subscriber will offer at public sale, on the premises the following property, late the estate of Michael Brandt, of Dickinson township, dec'd, viz: A tract of land situate in Hockersville, in said Dickinson township, containing 150 ACRES of first rate Limestone Land, adjoining lands of Newcomer, Hocker and others, all of which is cleared and in a high state of cultivation except about 4 Acres of Woodland. The improvements are a two story DWELLING HOUSE and Frame BARN, a good TENANT HOUSE with Stable, a well of water to each house, together with other out buildings.—Also, an orchard of choice fruit, principally apples. Also, at the same time and place a tract of Timber Land, situate in Dickinson township, at the South Mountain, containing 26 ACRES of young and thriving timber, adjoining lands of Gen. Miller, Newcomer and others. Terms of sale will be made known on said day when attendance will be given by the subscriber, Guardian of minor children of Michael Brandt, dec. and attorney of those who are of full age. aug28 DAVID BRANDT.

CHOICE FARM FOR SALE.

THE subscriber offers for sale a valuable Farm of choice arable land, situate in West Pennsboro' township, Cumberland county, on the Conodoguinet Creek, eight miles west of Carlisle and within two and a half of the Cumberland Valley Rail Road, containing about 180 ACRES in a high state of cultivation. The improvements are a two story Weatherboarded HOUSE, Smoke House, Ice House and Wash House, and a good well of water at the door.—Also, a large Bank Barn, Corn Crib, Wagon Shed all in good order and a good Orchard.—There is 17 Acres of first rate Meadow and about 25 Acres of Timber Land on the opposite side of the creek, which will be sold with the Farm if desired. There has been between five and six thousand bushels of lime put on this Farm lately. There is also a large Lime Kiln, capable of burning from 12 to 1400 bushels at a blast on the property. WILLIAM ALTER. aug28tu

☞ Lancaster Volksfreund copy tf. and send bill to this office for collection.

VALUABLE

Town Property at Public Sale.

On Saturday, the 14th of September, next.

WILL be sold at public sale on the premises in Springfield, Cumberland county, a lot and two-thirds of ground, situate on Main street, having thereon erected a two story BRICK DWELLING HOUSE, with Kitchen attached, a story and a half Frame SHOP, 20 by 22 feet, together with a large STABLE. The property is supplied with a good well of water, and an abundance of the choicest fruit, including Apples, Peaches, a variety of Plums, Grapes, &c. Persons wishing to view the property can do so by calling on the subscriber. Sale to commence at 1 o'clock of said day, when terms, which are easy, will be made known by J. F. COXEL, Aug 28 ts *Agent for Margaret Row.*

House and Lot at Public Sale.

On SATURDAY, the 14th of September next,

WILL be sold at public sale on the premises in Frankford township, Cumberland county, Pa., about two and a half miles north of Frion's Mill, and one mile north-east of Bloserville, and 1 mile west of Deswalt's Tavern, a lot containing SIX ACRES, more or less, of good land well fenced. The improvements are a TWO STORY DWELLING HOUSE, weatherboarded, with a Stone Kitchen attached one and a half stories high, and a large Shop. A good little BARN, one end log and the other frame. Also, a well of never failing water at the door of the house and a variety of choice fruit trees. Sale to commence at one o'clock, P. M., when attendance will be given and terms made known by August 28 ts. BENJAMIN RICE, Jr.

New Advertisements.

Real Estate at Public Sale.

On Tuesday, the 17th of September, next.

In pursuance of an order of the Orphans' Court of Cumberland county, will be sold at Public Sale, at the residence of Jacob Kissinger, dec'd., at one o'clock, P. M., the following Real Estate late the property of said decedent, to wit:—A tract of land in West Pennsboro' township, bounded by lands of Enos B. Sterrett, George Hefflebower, John McCulloch and William Kerr, containing TEN ACRES, strict measure, all of which is cleared and in an excellent state of cultivation, having thereon erected a two story weatherboarded DWELLING HOUSE, frame BARN, and an excellent Apple Orchard of choice fruit, to be sold on the following terms—Five per cent. of the purchase money on confirmation of the sale, one half of the remainder on the 1st of April next, when possession will be given and a deed made to the purchaser, and the residue in two equal annual payments thereafter without interest. The grain in the ground to be reserved. The purchaser to pay the taxes for the year 1851. The whole to be secured by recognizance in the Orphans' Court with approved security. August 26,'50 3t. DAVID RINE, *Trustee appointed by the Court to make sale.*

Orphans' Court Sale.

By virtue of an order of the Orphans' Court of Cumberland county, the following Real Estate, late the property of Isaac Beidleman, deceased, will be sold on the premises, on Saturday the 28th day of SEPTEMBER next, to wit: A tract of land, situate in Silver Spring township, near to Kingstown, in said county, bounded by John Senseman, George Keller and others, containing TWO ACRES and thirty-one Perches, of Limestone Land, all of which is cleared and under good fence, and in a high state of cultivation. The improvements are a LOG DWELLING HOUSE, STABLE, and other out-buildings. A Young Apple Orchard of grafted fruit and other kinds of fruit trees on the premises. Sale to commence at 2 o'clock on said day, and the terms made known by August 23'50 ts. JOHN FIREOVID, *Administrator of Isaac Beidleman dec'd.*

VALUABLE

PROPERTY AT PUBLIC SALE

On SATURDAY, the 28th of September, next,

WILL be sold at public sale on the premises in North Middleton township, Cumberland co., Pa., two miles south of Middlesex Mills, and four miles east of Carlisle, the following Real Estate, adjoining lands of D. Miller, Thomas Orie's heirs and others containing 140 ACRES, of first-rate Limestone Land in a high state of cultivation and well supplied with all kinds of fruit, and for pleasantness of situation and convenience of running water is surpassed by few places in the county. The improvements are a large and substantial STONE HOUSE, BARN and other necessary out-houses. $5000.00 of the purchase money may remain on the property for five years at five per cent interest, if desired. Also, at the same time and place a tract of land situate in the same township, 1 mile from Middlesex, and 3 from Carlisle, adjoining lands of Joseph Witmer, Robert Erwin and others, containing SEVEN ACRES, the improvements are a two story frame weatherboarded HOUSE, Frame BARN, a good bearing orchard, &c. Sale to commence at 10 o'clock, on said day, when attendance will be given and terms made known, for the latter tract by Aug 21,'50 4t SOLOMON BYLER.

PUBLIC SALE OF REAL ESTATE.

IN pursuance of an order of the Orphans' Court of Cumberland county, will be sold at public s