

Carlisle Herald.



CARLISLE, PA.

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THE LARGEST AND CHEAPEST NEWSPAPER CUMBERLAND COUNTY Terms—Two Dollars a year, or One Dollar and Fifty Cents, if paid punctually in Advance \$1 75 if paid within the year.

An Open American State Convention was held at Harrisburg last week at which there were about thirty delegates present. Kimber Cleaver, Esq., the standing candidate of the Native Americans, for several years past, was nominated for Canal Commissioner, and the Convention resolved amongst other things, to support no man for office who would not espouse the principles of the Know Nothing party openly.

GEORGE LAW AGAIN.

The New York Herald eulogizes "the vast administrative ability" which fits George Law for the Presidency, and the Philadelphia Sun, very much to our surprise, echoes the Herald's panegyric. The new American party has come off second best in several hard encounters with its foes lately, and if the insane spirit which rules in certain quarters is allowed to predominate we may look for that which went up as a rocket to speedily come down like the stick. The persistent forcing of George Law and other "new men" of like character upon the country for the Presidency is a trifling with a great question which cannot fail to meet with a signal rebuke. The American party is in more danger of overthrow from the recklessness of some of its leaders and presses than from the continued assaults of Locofocoism.

SAM'S UPS AND DOWNS.—Since the American victory in Washington, Sam has been beaten in the town of Norwich, Conn. which last year he carried by 300 majority. A worse defeat has been experienced by the Americans in Buffalo, N. Y. At an election last week for Judge of the Supreme Court, the vote stood for Houghton, K. N. 2443; for Masters, Fusion candidate, 5002, majority for Masters 2559. Last year the Americans carried the city over all opposition by a decided majority. A municipal election in New London, Conn. has resulted in the success of the Know Nothing ticket by 35 majority. In April it is said they had 400 majority.

RELIEF NOTES.—The report that these notes would not be received hereafter for taxes in Pennsylvania is incorrect. On the contrary, a State law, went into effect on the 1st inst., requiring them to be received for taxes, or redeemed in part by the State Treasurer, and then destroyed, while banks, county treasurers, collectors, &c, are expressly prohibited from paying them out. This is an excellent law, and should be strictly observed, as gold and silver are abundant throughout the country.

A great demonstration against the new liquor law, took place at Lancaster city, on Saturday. Delegations were present from all parts of the county, and from Lebanon and Berks, attended by brass bands, and bearing banners, etc.—A large procession was formed, and marched through the city, and in the afternoon a meeting took place. Resolutions were adopted, styling the law an illegal enactment, and contrary to the expressed popular will.

GRAIN AND FLOUR.—The present high prices of grain and flour cannot rule much longer in our markets. The coming crops are said to be most promising in every part of the Union. If any of our farmers are holding back for higher prices they will be apt to get their fingers burned.

THE K. N. NATIONAL COUNCIL.

Its Members and Doings.

The Philadelphia News enumerates a large portion of distinguished politicians from every State in the Union who very singularly happened to be in Philadelphia last week, and as it is no secret that a grand Know Nothing National Council was in session at the same time, it will probably do no great violence to truth to presume that their presence indicated a lively degree of interest in the movements of the mysterious Sam. We subjoin the list in which will be found a number of Whig and Democratic names familiar to our readers:

From Maine Louis O. Cowan, James M. Lincoln, Josiah Covell, J. L. Stevens, from New Hampshire, ex Gov. Colby; from Massachusetts, Gov. Gardner, Senator Wilson, Mayor Bulfinch, Councillor Foster, A. B. Ely, and others; from Vermont, Hon. B. Fletcher, Messrs. Guilford, Pierpont and Hatch; from Connecticut, Hon. H. D. Sperry, Messrs. Ellsworth and Griswold; from Rhode Island, Messrs. Green, Harris, Nightingale and others; from New York, James W. Barker, Daniel Ullman, Haratio Seymour, Jr., Hon. Jas. Brooks, S. F. R. Mallory, George N. Sanders, Thomas J. Lyons, L. S. Parsons, S. Sammons, G. Squires, Judah Hammond, F. H. Ruggles, and a large number of others; from New Jersey, Joseph A. Scoville, Dr. Deshler; from Delaware, Hon. John W. Houston, Messrs. Johnson, Pyle, Clement, and Robinette; from Maryland, Messrs. Ricard, Purnell, Orr, and others; from Virginia, Hon. John S. Pendleton, A. R. Boteler, Wm. M. Burwell, A. J. Crane, R. Ridgway, Jr., Messrs. Arthur, Bowlin, Moore, Elyson, and Sanny; from North Carolina, Hon. Kenneth Rayner, Messrs. Shepard, Littlejohn Davidson, and others; from South Carolina, Messrs. Richardson, Cunningham, and Russell, and others; from Georgia, Judge Cone, and Washington Poe, and others; from Alabama, Hon. A. F. Hopkins, Messrs. Bradford, and Steward, and others; from Louisiana, John Claiborne, Messrs. Bance, Harty, and others; from Texas, Messrs. Harper, McCall, and Darden; from Florida, Messrs. McCall, Randall, Healy, and Johnson; from Arkansas, Capt. Albert Pike, and others; from Missouri, Hon. R. A. Gamble, Messrs. Harris, Hughes and others; from Kentucky, Geo. D. Prentice, Col. J. S. Williams, Col. A. T. Burnley, Hon. H. Grider, Col. E. Bartlett, and others; from Tennessee, Ex-Gov. Brown and others; from Ohio, Bush White, and others; from Illinois, Messrs. Eastman, Jennings, Dannewer, and others; from Indiana, Hon. G. S. Orth, Hon. Schuyler Colfax, Hon. Wm. Cumback, Messrs. Wallace, Slaughter, Hanery, and Allen; from Michigan, Moses Wisner, Messrs. Coc, Denton, Baker, and others; from Wisconsin, R. Blanchard, C. W. Cook, D. E. Wood, W. J. Adams, H. J. Butt; from California, Messrs. Olds, Matthews, and others; from Pennsylvania, Ex-Gov. Johnston, C. O. Loomis, Hon. Thaddeus Stevens, Hon. Samuel Calvin, J. B. Bell, R. A. Lamberton, Simon P. Case, and a large number of others.

The members of the Convention have so far succeeded in keeping their proceedings in a great degree secret, very little information having transpired as to the discussions, which it was expected would have been of a stormy character. The convention holds its sessions in the Assembly Buildings, corner of South and Chesnut streets. Several difficulties are understood to have occurred in relation to the organization of the convention. From Louisiana two sets of delegates appeared. One from lodges composed wholly of Protestant members, the other from an organization embracing in its ranks numerous Catholics, one of whom presented himself as a delegate. The delegates from the Protestant were admitted after a warm contest, by a vote of 78 to 44. The credentials of the Mississippi delegates were of an irregular character, but they were all admitted to seats. The slavery question is said to have been discussed at some length in connexion with the organization, and great clashing of opinion shown between northern and southern members. It has however as yet led to no serious consequences. The N. Y. Tribune correspondent who professes to have extensive knowledge of the doings of the Convention, says that the management of the Convention is in the hands of the south and that the northern men are out-witted in every thing. The North and West it is said are neither fully nor ably represented. A bitter feeling was manifested toward Senator Wilson, of Mass. whose course was severely denounced, but who met his accusers with great firmness and eloquence. A decided opposition was manifested to the reelection of James W. Barker, of New York, as President of the National Organization. On Friday afternoon the election took place, and on the sixth ballot E. B. Bartlett, of Kentucky, was elected. He received 94 votes and Barker 52. The friends of Gov. Gardner, of Mass. who had 49

votes on the third ballot, finally went over to Bartlett and secured his election. The organization was completed by the election of C. D. Freeman, of Pennsylvania, as Vice President; C. W. Deshler of New Jersey, Corresponding Secretary; Mr. Stephens, of Maryland, Recording Secretary; Henry Crane, of Ohio, Treasurer, and Rev. Henry W. Rugg, of Massachusetts, Universalist, as Chaplain.

A committee to report a Platform was also appointed, consisting of thirty-one members, among whom are Ford, of Ohio; Colfax, of Indiana; Foster, of Massachusetts; Colby, of New Hampshire; Johnston, of Pennsylvania; Lyons, of New York; Houghton, of North Carolina; and one from each of the other States. The Tribune correspondent says "the Northern members will offer the Ohio Platform as their doctrine in full. They will contend for the restoration of the Missouri Compromise to the death. The south, seeing the determination of the north, talk of accepting the restoration with a proviso in favor of actual settlers, but the north say no proviso."—A letter in the N. Y. Express, of Monday evening, however, gives a different version of affairs, and says—

"But all the indications to-day are, that 'Sam' will split upon the rock of Slavery, and thus be knocked to pieces. A few Abolitionists threaten to secede, and their secession would be useful—but that a few Northern men, incapable of appreciating that state of things, will then proffer a platform of no use South, and not maintainable in the North, after such secession. The Council is not in working condition, and is not likely to be. Many of the materials, perhaps most, are of the intractable and indolent order. The failure of the effort to agree upon what no party ever agreed, or in this country, ever can agree, 'Slavery,' is hourly demonstrated. The touching of the subject at all is death to the American Organization, but in spasmodic out breaks."

The defeat of Barker for President is said to be an overthrow of the George Law party, which had been rampant until that event. Mr. Bartlett, the new President, is said to be a man of liberal feelings to the north. A report prevailed that one of the southern members was suspected of being a Catholic spy, his conduct in the Convention being rather peculiar and his energy in taking notes having excited suspicion. The election of a Universalist clergyman as chaplain is exceedingly odious to many of the members, who were not previously aware of his denominational position. The convention is still in session and its platform is not yet promulgated. We give the above floating reports of its proceedings, as we find them in the city papers.—Their correctness cannot be vouched for.

A NEW MOVE IN THE CRIMEA.—The European papers talk of a change in the plan of campaign of the allies in the Crimea. The plan for the summer is said to be that 25,000 men of the French reserves, now distributed at Maslak, Gallipoli and Adrianople, are to be brought to the Crimea, to be followed by from 30,000 to 40,000 additional troops, Piedmontese and French. As soon as the reserves arrive, and without waiting for the additional reinforcements, the French army will proceed to cross the Tchernaya, attack the Russians in the field, and when the reinforcements come up, clear the peninsula of Russians, and fortify Perokop. The main army will then return and finish the siege of Sebastopol at leisure. Kaffa and Kertch are the first to be secured as points of retreat for the army of the allied forces, for the Russians have an army of from eighty to one hundred thousand in the field, and all the accessible points have been strongly fortified. There will be some sanguinary work before the Russians are driven out of the Crimea.

If Wise had been beaten in Virginia, the democratic party would have been dead and buried before this time. Everywhere the democrats are rejoicing over the result in the spirit that animates a man who has just had a narrow escape from destruction. Evidently the result was unexpected by them, and the extent and imminence of their peril are demonstrated by the extravagance of their joy at the short reprieve afforded them.

THE OHIO K. N. PLATFORM.

The American State Council of Ohio held a meeting last week in Cleveland. There were said to be 400 members present, representing a nominal membership of 130,000. No ticket was nominated for State officers, but a platform of principles was adopted and ordered to be published. It is as follows:

First reiterating the doctrines of the Declaration of Independence; second, the maintenance of the Union paramount to all other considerations; third, faithful adherence to the Constitution of the Union, and obedience to all laws enacted in accordance with its spirit and intent; fourth, depreciating the existence of slavery in the Union, disavowing all responsibility for and intention of interfering with it in the States where it exists, but demanding its extinction where the general government holds authority, and that there shall be no more slave territory, and no more slave States; fifth, announcing a determination to prevent, by all lawful means, the interference of slavery with free territory, in the rights of freemen, as in Kansas; sixth, in favor of protection and encouragement to American industry, internal improvements, &c. Seventh, acknowledging fellowship with all who renounce allegiance to any foreign prince or potentate, particularly the Pope of Rome. And so on through the rest of the generally received tenets of Americanism.

Town and County Matters.

RAILROAD MEETING.—A meeting of the Commissioners and friends of the York, Dillsburg and GreenCastle Railroad, will be held at the public house of Thomas Costamagna, at Boiling Spring, Cumberland Co., on Saturday 23d, at 10 o'clock, A. M. A general turn-out is requested, as business of importance will be transacted.

CARLISLE PRESBYTERY.—A meeting of the Presbytery of Carlisle, (O. S.) was held in the Second Presbyterian Church in this borough yesterday, which drew together a considerable number of ministers and elders. In the afternoon the Rev. Mr. EALS was installed as Pastor of the church, with the usual services.

PERRY WARM SPRINGS.—The annual advertisement of this favorite watering place will be found in our paper to-day, to which we invite attention. We understand Mr. Etter has made a number of improvements, giving new attractions to the place since last season.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

The Examinations for the year 1855, will be held as follows, viz:

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT. The examinations will commence on Friday morning, June 22, at 8 o'clock, with the schools taught by Miss Wightman, Mrs. Kaufman and Miss Reighter, and in the afternoon of the same day, at 2 o'clock, with those under the care of Miss Bectem and Miss Edmond. On Saturday morning, June 23, the colored school in charge of Miss Bell, and the school taught by Mrs. Adair, at 8 o'clock. On Monday morning, June 25, Miss Webster's and Mr. Searight's schools, at 8 o'clock, and in the afternoon of same day, at 2 o'clock, Miss Armstrong's and Mr. McCartney's schools.

SECONDARY DEPARTMENT. On Tuesday morning, June 26, Miss Underwood's school, at 8 o'clock, and in the afternoon of same day, at 2 o'clock, Miss Ege's school.

On Wednesday morning, June 27, Mr. Spotswood's school, at 8 o'clock, and at 2 o'clock same day, Mr. Faulk's school. On Thursday morning, June 28, the Male High school, under the care of Mr. Eckels, at 8 o'clock, and at 2 o'clock same day, the classes for transfer from Miss Ege's and Mr. Faulk's schools will assemble for special examination at Education Hall. On Friday morning, June 29, the classes of Mr. Spotswood's and Miss Underwood's schools recommended for transfer, will assemble in Education Hall, for special examination at 8 o'clock. On Friday evening, at 7 o'clock, a Lecture will be delivered, accompanied by vocal and instrumental music, and other interesting exercises. The Female High school and Miss Underwood's school will be in attendance, and the schools will then be dismissed for the vacation.

The Directors together with the Board of Examiners, will attend the different examinations in the school rooms.

The Directors are distributed in Committees as follows: Messrs. BLAIR and SAXTON will attend the examinations of Miss Bell's, Mr. Searight's, Mrs. Kaufman's, Miss Armstrong's, and Miss Bectem's schools.

Messrs. HAMILTON and QUOLEY will attend the examinations of Miss Reighter's, Mrs. Adair's, Mr. McCartney's and Mr. Searight's schools.

Messrs. SKILES and CORNMAN will attend the examinations of Miss Wightman's, Miss Armstrong's, Miss Edmond's, and Miss Webster's schools.

The whole Board, together with the Committee of Examiners, will attend each of the other examinations at the times above specified in their respective school rooms.

The parents of scholars and citizens generally, are respectfully invited to attend the examinations and Lecture.

J. HAMILTON, E. CORNMAN, H. SAXTON, Committee of Arrangement.

ERUPTION OF VESUVIUS.

The Naples correspondent of the London Daily News gives an account of the eruption of Mount Vesuvius, now in full operation. The lava, by the latest accounts, has advanced ten miles from its source and is doing much damage:

I have before me the report of Cozzolino as to the latest changes which have taken place about the cone. Just at the base of it a lake of fire has been formed, which looks like a red sea in an undulatory state. In the very crater of this has opened another crater, which is throwing out red hot stones. The whole of the summit of the crater is like a sponge, and must inevitably fall in. The thin crust trembles under the tremulous movement; the part immediately round the crater looks like the sides of a heated copper boiler. There are reports of an opening towards Pompeii, which is not unlikely, and of another towards Resina. Last night I went to the scene of most stirring interest, after an interval of two days. As we approached the menaced neighborhood, the inhabitants were removing their goods; and on a bridge, in the middle of the little township of Cercolo, were Sappers, raising mounds on either side, to divert the ruin from some private grounds, and keep the lava in one straight course. Since the morning it had moved a mile. It was like a vast river of glowing coke. As it moved on, the tens of thousands of lumps rolled and tumbled one over the other, crackling, and grinding, and grating; and when, from the very face of it, a large lump fell off, the appearance was that of an iron furnace when the iron is being drawn. What struck me at first, and still strikes me as the most majestic feature in the whole scene, is the slow, silent, irresistible motion of that fiery flood. Active, almighty power without an effort! Sweeping everything before it, overcoming every obstacle, growing up against intervening walls or houses, and devouring them bodily, and then marching on in the same silent, unrelenting, irresistible manner as before. There was a spot beneath my feet where a wall of masonry work had been built to break the winter floods; to this spot all eyes were directed. The fiery river would fall over it in an hour; as yet it was distant from it seven yards, perhaps. Gradually it rose in height, and swelled out its vast proportions, and then vast masses fell off and rolled forward; then it swelled again as fresh water came pressing down behind, and so it broke, and on it rolled again and again, till it had arrived at the very edge. There was a general buzz and murmur of voices. The royal family stood opposite to me, intermingled with the crowd, looking on with intense anxiety. At last it broke, not hurriedly, still with a certain show of majesty. At first a few small lumps fell down; then poured over a pure liquid of metal, like thick treacle, clinging sometimes mass to mass, from its glutinous character, and last of all tumbled over gigantic lumps of scorium. The expectation is that the lava, should the eruption continue, will flow down to the Ponte Maddaloni, and into the sea. So grand and so destructive an eruption has not been known for many years.

BURNING A NEGRO AT THE STAKE IN ALABAMA.—We have already recorded the murder of Miss Thornton, a respectable young lady, near Gaston, Alabama, by a negro man. The horrible affair created the greatest excitement, and subsequently the murderer was forcibly taken from the custody of the civil authorities by a mob, and put to a terrible death, an account of which is thus given in the Marion Republican of the 29th ult.:

On Friday last, after due preparation, they carried him to the spot where he so cruelly murdered his innocent victim, and burnt him alive at the stake. About three thousand persons were present, who witnessed, with various emotions, the dreadful spectacle. We were present, but hope that we will never again witness a scene like it. The pyre was composed of several cords of light wood, in the centre of which was a green willow stake, selected in consequence of its indestructibility by fire.

On the top of the pile of light wood the criminal was placed, and securely chained to the stake. While in this situation he confessed his guilt. After this confession was made the match was applied, and in a few moments the devouring flames were enveloping the doomed negro; his fearful cries resounded through the air, while the surrounding negroes who witnessed his dreadful agony and horrible contortions sent up an involuntary howl of horror. His sufferings, though excruciating, were short; in a few minutes the flames had enveloped him entirely, revealing now and then as they fitfully swayed, hither and thither, his black and burning carcass, like a demon of the fire, grinning as if in bellicious triumph at his tormentors. Soon all was over—nothing was left but the burning flesh and charred skeleton of this human devil, who could thus deliberately perpetrate so foul a crime.

Deaths.

On Thursday the 9th inst., Mrs. ELIZABETH ALDER, of West Founsbrough township, aged 88 years, 1 month and 29 days. In his borough, on Thursday last, Mrs. JANE SPOTTSWOOD, in the 84th year of her age. On Saturday night week, after a lingering illness, Mr. ISAAC SHEAFFER, of this place, aged about 45 years. On Thursday last, after a short illness, Mr. JONATHAN LEHN, of this place, aged about 40 years.

IMPORTANT TO LOVERS OF FRESH FRUIT at all seasons.—The subscriber has just opened a few dozen Hermetical self sealing FRUIT CANS, for preserving Fruits, Tomatoes, Green Corn, &c, and may be used year after year and are easily opened and closed without the aid of a hammer. Call and examine them. GEO. W. HITSER. June 13, '55.

SCHOOL TEACHERS WANTED.—THREE TEACHERS (1 male and 2 female) wanted to take charge of the public schools of the borough of NEWVILLE. The Board of Directors will meet application at the public School House in said Borough on TUESDAY the 26th inst., when the County Superintendent will be present to conduct the examinations. To competent teachers liberal salaries will be paid. By order of the Board. JOSEPH H. BERKON, Secretary. Newville June 9th, '55.