



MOUNTAIN SENTINEL

EBENSBURG, PA.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 30, 1851

The Sentinel, has much the largest circulation of any paper published in this county...

We like the plan adopted by Wm. S. Campbell, Esq., in the publication of the Allotments made on the Portage Road...

Fulton County.

A mass meeting of the Democracy of this county was held in McConnellsburg, on Monday evening the 13th inst., at which resolutions were adopted favorable to a separate Judicial Convention...

Messrs. James B. Sansom, A. J. Fore and Wm. C. Reamer were appointed Representative Conferees to meet Conferees from the other counties in this district to select delegates to the democratic State Conventions.

We also observe that the Democrats of Bedford county have called a meeting for the same purpose.

We have received a copy of the report of Wm. S. Campbell, Esq., Superintendent A. P. R. R. It gives a clear and accurate statement of the receipts and expenses of the Portage Railroad during the past year...

Death of John Ferguson, Esq.

We neglected in our last to announce the death of our esteemed friend and fellow citizen, JOHN FERGUSON, Esq. He died in New Orleans, on the tenth inst., of pulmonary consumption.

GODEY'S LADY'S BOOK for March is already on our table, and is more bright and beautiful than ever. This number contains four splendid engravings, besides a large number of embellishments.

Custom House in Pittsburg.

Efforts are being made by the Pittsburgers to induce Congress to make an appropriation of seventy-five thousand dollars for the purpose of establishing a Custom House and other public offices in that city.

The Pittsburg Post and Despatch have been selected by the Councils of Pittsburg as City Printers for the ensuing year.

Joe Barker is in Philadelphia. He seems to be "very small potatoes" now.

"Harrisburg Keystone."

We are gratified to perceive that our friend, Hon. GEORGE R. M'FARLANE, of Hollidaysburg, has become part proprietor and associated in the editorial department of that sterling democratic paper, the HARRISBURG KEYSTONE.

It shall be our aim to make it an organ of the great Democratic party of Pennsylvania, and not of any man or set of men who may chance to form a prominent, integral portion of that party.

The Democrat who honestly and faithfully sustains these principles, and makes them the rule of his conduct, will find in the Keystone a friend; if need be, a defender.

The interests of our great state and her whole people will be guarded vigilantly and with our best ability, and it will be our earnest endeavor to elevate the standard of Pennsylvania character and to place the Keystone State before the Union and the world in her proper position.

Our friends MURRAY & ZAHM have just received a fine assortment of Prints, Maslins, Gingham, &c., which they will sell low.

Nothing of importance doing in the Legislature.

The Canal Commissioners have ordered the Canals to be opened on the 15th of February, if the weather permit.

NO APPOINTMENTS.

We delayed our paper this morning with a hope of being able to announce the appointments of the Canal Commissioners. But no appointments were made up to twelve o'clock yesterday.

RICH FOLKS IN SAN FRANCISCO.—The Pacific Mail Steamship Company are taxed \$11,110; Leidsorff estate \$6082; Mellas, Howard & Co. \$6982; Stevenson & Parker \$3869; J. L. Folsom \$3839; James Jack \$6444; Chas. L. Ross \$2470; Mrs. Elizabeth Davis \$3000; Macrondy & Co. \$1170; E. P. Jones \$2717; B. R. Bucklew \$2902; C. Minturn \$2500; W. S. Clark \$2340; John Townsend \$1588; Palmer, Cook & Co. \$1594; R. M. Price \$1664; fourteen others over \$1200; several \$900; E. Gilbert & Co., printers, \$750; John W. Geary \$625; J. C. Fremont \$625, and many others from \$600 down.

Oregon against California.

As the gold fever of California declines the substantial inducements of Oregon become attractive. Hon Samuel R. Thurston, delegate from that country, has published a manifesto to show emigrants the inducements they have to settle in that country.

He says "the soil of Oregon is more productive than that of any other part of the world of the same latitude, raising grain of any kind with abundant facility, and furnishing exceedingly rich pastures. The climate he considers as peculiarly healthful, more like that of Southern New England, than any other part of our Atlantic territory. Its water is very fine, and its water power unsurpassed. Building material is in great plenty, so that with 'air, water and wood,' few countries possess superior inducements for permanent settlers. Fish and game are plenty. The geological appearance of the country would indicate that all the really useful metals may be found in abundance. Any active man can find ready employment, whether as a farmer or artificer. Provisions are high, but this is in favor of one who goes there with the intention of raising them. Stock is raised without cutting hay, or housing the cattle the year round. Arrangements for education have already been commenced; and the school house and churches are being erected in all the settlements.

The news from Europe, confirms the previous indications of peace in Germany. All is substantially settled there, though the Dresden Conferences are now engaged in the business of smoothing off secondary difficulties.

The infamy of the German Princes, and above all of Frederick William of Prussia, is now carried to an ideal degree of perfection. The Elector of Hesse Cassel, with the forger, Hassenplug, has returned in triumph to his capital. Every Constitution in Germany is now worthless, every ruler may play the tyrant without restraint.

THE RISE OF MEN OF EMINENCE.—Mr. Disney, member of Congress from Ohio, was formerly a house painter; Senator Dickinson worked at a mechanic trade until after he attained his majority; H. L. Turney, U. S. Senator from Tennessee and Andrew Johnston, Representative from the same state, were and are tailors; and there are in Congress many mechanics.

General Arista was to be inaugurated President of Mexico on the 15th of this month, and great preparations were making for the ceremony in the capital. The forthcoming administration was the subject of much speculation in the newspapers. It is confidently hoped that he will prove a liberal and enlightened President, and that, under his rule, business will revive, and Mexico prosper.

GREAT ALLEGED DISCOVERY.

Two discoveries of inventions are announced by the London Morning Chronicle, which if real, will exert a vast influence upon the political, the commercial, the moral and the social condition of the United States. One of these inventions is that of a mode of preparing flax, by a combination of mechanical and chemical means which at a very trifling expense, renders the fibre fit to be made up in fabrics of either the greatest coarseness or the greatest fineness; either the coarsest canvas or Brussels lace. The other invention is one adapting flax fibre to cotton or woolen or silk machinery, or for mixing it with these materials.

LIBERTY IN FRANCE.—A political condemnation has just taken place in Paris, which shows that the judiciary of France is completely subservient to the despotic government which now rules there, under the name of "Liberty, Equality, and Fraternity."

The Mechanic Street Bridge Burnt.

On Sunday morning about one o'clock, a fire broke out on the upper bridge, across the Allegheny River, in the Fifth Ward, and in less than half an hour the entire structure was destroyed. The fire was undoubtedly the work of incendiaries as it is said it broke out in different parts of the bridge at once. All efforts to stop it were useless, for the fire burned with such surprising rapidity, that in less than three or four minutes the entire structure was one sheet of living flames.

The bridge which was destroyed was constructed fourteen or fifteen years ago, and belonged to a stock company. The original cost of the structure was about \$45,000. It was built of wood and covered. The fire swept through the arches with the speed of lightning. It is strange that no night watch was kept upon the bridge, yet such we are informed was the fact.

We learn there was an insurance on the bridge made only a few weeks since of \$20,000, some say 30,000 in two or three different offices—one of them the Protection of Hartford. This amount if realized, together with a surplus fund of about \$10,000 which the company have, will erect a new bridge.

SINGULAR DISCOVERY OF STOLEN JEWELRY AT POTTSVILLE.—We learn from the Miners' Journal, at Pottsville, that on Thursday last, while some children were at play upon the hill-side, near Fishbush half a mile from Pottsville, one of the number discovered a small string fastened to a bush: his curiosity being awakened, the string was seized, and after pulling at it he found that it became detached from some object beneath the snow.

Upon an examination of the string, several gold rings were found upon it, and a slight search enabled them to discover an old stocking or drawer leg with several hundred dollars worth of unfinished gold rings, pencils, chains, &c. In the vicinity, another string was found, fastened in the same manner, but leading off in a different direction, to the end of which there was a large amount of jewelry, also unfinished. The Pottsville Journal thinks these articles come from some large manufacturing house in Philadelphia or New York, and the spoil hidden beneath the snow by the party committing the theft, and the spot designated by the small strings so as to enable them to regain their spoils in a future day.

Wild Cat, the famous Indian chief who has formed a settlement in Mexico, has been appointed a justice of the peace by the Mexican government. He recently took with him from Arkansas, a number of Negroes and Indians. They are to have implements of husbandry, and a certain portion of land given them, on condition that they cultivate it and obey the laws. Another object is to defend the Mexican frontier from the incursions of the Comanches. This settlement may yet be a matter of some importance to Texas.

From California.

There were two arrivals at New York on Tuesday last from California, bringing later news, a large number of passengers, and about \$1,500,000 in gold.

The election of a United States Senator was agitating political circles. It is said Col. Fremont will not be re-elected, his "gold bill," passed during last summer, by Congress, having rendered him very unpopular. There is a great many candidates and no opinion is given as to who will be the successful candidate.

Business is represented as being dull. Real estate and rents are declining, and building materials much cheaper than formerly.

The appointments by the President for California are generally approved. There are seven daily papers in San Francisco.

The cholera has nearly disappeared. Another destructive fire occurred at San Francisco on the 14th of December. The loss is variously estimated at from \$50,000 to \$100,000.

MEDICAL BLUNDERS.—Sometimes medical blunders turn out well for both physician and patient, as in the case of our friend, John Smith. After a convivial meeting Dr. S. was sent for by a young lady who was fond of a sly glass. Upon being left alone with his fair patient, he felt her pulse, but owing to his potatoes, found himself quite incapable of counting it—unconsciously muttering to himself as he held her wrist—"Drunk, very drunk." It so alarmed the young lady, that she fell upon her knees, and implored the doctor's secrecy as to her frailty.

ALLOTMENTS

Of Contracts for furnishing Horse Power, Cord Wood, Sawing and Splitting, Coal, Castings and materials on the Allegheny Portage Rail Road during the season of 1851.

Table with columns for Horse Power, Cord Wood, and Sawing and Splitting, listing various contractors and their rates.

Table with columns for Cord Wood, Sawing and Splitting, listing contractors like John O'Rourke, Peter Kinney, Samuel Plummer, etc., and their rates.

Table with columns for Coal, listing contractors like John Murray, John O'Neill, Geo. Bingham & Co., etc., and their rates.

Table with columns for Materials, listing contractors like John O'Neill, Sam. J. Renshaw, James St. Clair, etc., and their rates.

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The above Contractors are requested to appear at the Office of the Superintendent in person, and enter into contract as soon as practicable, an unreasonable delay will be considered an abandonment of the contract.

WILLIAM S. CAMPBELL, Superintendent Allegheny Portage Rail Road. Summit, January 27th 1851.

In the Court of Common Pleas of Cambria County.

In the matter of the application of Peter Helms, for a divorce from the bonds of matrimony entered into with Anna Rager, now Anna Helms.

Ad. non. to wit, 7th January, 1851, G. C. K. Z. h. m. Esq. appointed Commissioner to take testimony, &c.

CAMBRIA COUNTY, SS. Extract from the record of said Court, certified this 25th day of January, A. D. 1851.

Last Notice.

The books, notes and papers of the Estate of Patrick M'Goy, deceased, have been placed in my hands for collection; and those interested are hereby notified that the said estate must be settled up immediately.

List of Causes,

PUT down for trial at an adjourned Court of common pleas to be held at Ebensburg, in and for the county of Cambria, on the first Monday of March A. D. 1851.

Table listing various legal cases and the names of the attorneys representing the parties, such as M'Kinzie adm'r vs Burgoon, etc.