



DEMOCRAT AND SENTINEL.

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FOR GOVERNOR. WILLIAM BIGLER. (Subject to the decision of the Democratic Convention.)

The Editor of this paper will be absent for some time, but during his absence the paper will be conducted as usual.

Congress. This body will meet next Monday week, and already a large number of members of both Houses have arrived at Washington.

Greensburg Democrat. We have received the first number of the paper bearing this title, which has been recently established in Westmoreland county.

Indiana Branch. The work on the branch of the Pennsylvania Railroad, extending from Blairsville to Indiana, is progressing rapidly.

North-Western Railroad. The engineer corps employed on the surveys for this road, have suspended operations for the winter, having completed the preliminary surveys.

A Mysterious Land. The last California steamer brings accounts of discovery of the ruins of certain cities, embosomed in the Rocky Mountains.

EXPEDITION TO THE AMAZON. An enterprise has been projected in New York which promises to open a new market for our manufactures.

NEWS AND MISCELLANY.

L. G. McKinley has purchased the interest of J. M. G. Lescurie in the Democratic Union, and will hereafter conduct that paper himself.

The elections in Mississippi and Missouri have gone Democratic, of course. Massachusetts is joined to her idols.

We learn that the President's Message will be sent to the postmasters of the most important cities in advance, to be given to the newspapers the moment it is presented to Congress.

The applications for new banks to be made to the next Legislature of Pennsylvania, exceed in amount of capital seven million of dollars.

A man and wife who had taken forcible possession of a certain tenement in the city of Pittsburgh, and which they resolutely refused to vacate, were provided with lodgings at the expense of Allegheny county a few days since.

Mc Baker, one of the Cascade range of mountains, was in a state of eruption during last winter, casting forth fire and lava.

The Liquor Law has been defeated in Wisconsin.

It is stated that the party who went to Europe to negotiate Virginia's views for some railroad companies in that state, has written home that he has a proposition for three millions of dollars from capitalists in Paris.

The annual immigration of foreigners to New York is at the rate of about a thousand a day. What country, besides this, could receive a daily accession of such a population, without its being followed by revolution and disorder?

On the banks of the Miami canal may be daily seen females of German descent engaged in unloading and loading boats. They are said to be able to do as much work as common laborers, and they receive nearly the same wages.

The Belgian Royal Family are now on a visit to Cousin Victoria, in England. The royal party consist of the King of the Belgians, their royal highnesses, the Duke and Duchess de Brabant, the Count de Flandres, and the Princess Charlotte, of Belgium.

A wag, observing a fellow steal a fish and put it under his jacket, which was too short to conceal the thief, halloed to the purloiner to wear in future, a longer jacket, or to steal a shorter fish.

A Ghost "Story" is rife in Wetzel county, Va. The ghost of a man murdered some time ago, it is said, has appeared, and demanded vengeance on his murderer and a man pointed out as the murderer has actually been arrested.

On a recent trial, an Irishman, with characteristic obliquity of speech, after scratching his head, said: "Please your honor, I forgot to remember—or if I do, I forgot it now."

"Is them fellers alive now?" said an arch-bishop to his teacher. "What fello do you mean my dear?" "Why, Paul and Luke, and Deuteronomy, and them."

The Pittsburg Dispatch says the employment of women as compositors on that paper is no longer an experiment, but a fixed fact.

It is stated that the whole revenue of the Pennsylvania Railroad during the present year is likely to be but a fraction less than three millions of dollars. Up to the first of the present month the receipts since January 1st, amounted to \$2,349,964.

The Johnstown Echo takes decided grounds in favour of the enactment of a prohibitory liquor law.

From China. A letter from Mr. Parker, in China, mentions a rumor which was circulated in Canton on the 3rd of September, that the Emperor of China, Hien Fung, fled to Tartary on the 2nd of August, and that Prince Wei Chin was left in charge of the Empire, the rebels being at that time within six days' march of Peking.

The Overland mail, which reached England on the 18th ult., brought advices from Hong Kong to the 9th, and from Canton to the 5th of September; yet in none of the papers or letters is any mention made of such a rumor. On the contrary, despatches are published in the Peking Gazette, signed by the Emperor, of a date subsequent to that assigned as the period of his flight.

The Greatest Enterprise of the Age.

The Atlantic and Pacific Railroad. Senator Gwin, of California, has already reached Washington. He is one of the ablest champions of a railroad to the Pacific, and he returns to the Senate determined to employ all his energies in an effort to induce Congress to sanction the measure, and at the earliest moment possible.

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Indeed, it is conceded that several routes have already been discovered that are altogether available. The difficulty will be to decide upon the best, and in discussing this point, much precious time will be lost.

Our possessions on the Pacific are every hour increasing in value, and extraordinary as are the results at the present time, they are as nothing compared with what we may anticipate twenty or thirty years hence.

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Second Dispatch. Turkey and Russia. Omar Pasha, before crossing the Danube addressed a spirited proclamation to the army, stirring up their patriotism and declaring he would sacrifice his body and soul, to be revenged on the invaders of his country.

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