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WEDNESDAY, MORNING, DECEMBER 21, 1856.

WANTED: Beef, pork, corn, buckwheat, oats, &c., for subscription and advertising to the Democrat & Sentinel.

CHRISTMAS IS COMING.—Bright hopes are gleaming in the eyes of the little ones—there's signs about—gathering and increasing day after day—that the season of gifts and ever-green garlands is at hand.

The Pacific Railroad.

Hon. R. J. Walker has written a letter contradicting a report that he was concerned in a grand scheme before Congress, for getting possession of 100 millions of Government lands for a Pacific railroad.

Important.

We have been requested by the County Treasurer to call the attention of parties interested, to the following Section of an Act of Assembly passed last winter:

From Washington.

Whatever may be the political or personal feelings entertained towards the present Postmaster General, it must be admitted that the internal business of his Department is admirably managed, and kept up with a degree of promptness that is highly commendable.

A Deplorable Picture of Nicaragua.

It is stated that immediately after the surprise of Granada, the city was plundered, its inhabitants were insulted, and many of them were arrested and imprisoned.

From Kansas.

E. Hoagland, Esq., United States Commissioner arrived in this city last evening, on his way to Washington. He left Leecompton on the 9th of December.

Battles of the Revolutionary War.

Some one has taken the pains to compile a list of the killed and wounded on both sides in the several battles that were fought during the Revolution, which is as follows:

Table with columns: BRITISH, AMERICAN, Loss, and Location/Date. Lists battles like Lexington, Bunker Hill, etc.

The Western Territories.

There is now open for settlement, the territories of Minnesota, Oregon, Nebraska, Washington, New Mexico, Utah and Kansas.

Greene County Democratic Convention.

The Democracy of Greene county met at Waynesburg, on Monday, the 15th inst., and appointed James Lindsay delegate to the 2d of March Convention.

Speaker of the Senate.

Some of the Black Republican papers speak favorably of Charles B. Penrose as Speaker of the Senate.

A Costly Bridge.

The suspension bridge about to be erected over the Mississippi at St. Louis, it is said, will be the most costly in the world.

Dying Slaves.

The negro worshippers of Canalia are getting tired of the darkies—a movement is on foot among them to secure the passage of an act of Parliament, by which fugitive slaves may be sent back to the United States.

Reignation of Gen. Wool.

Important despatches were received by the last steamer from the Pacific region, containing, among other things, a request from Gen. Wool to be relieved from his present command.

The Regular Term of the Huntington County Court.

The regular term of the Huntington County Court will commence on the second Monday, 12th day, of January.

The Venango Spectator.

The Venango Spectator says that A. M. Hoover, Esq., has been appointed Clerk by Mr. McClelland, Collector at Hollidaysburg.

A Present.

The citizens of Charleston, S. C., are about to purchase a splendid carriage and present it to Mr. Buchanan, the President elect.

The Indiana Independent.

The Indiana Independent strongly urges the Hon. Thomas White for United States Senate, as successor to Mr. Baughman.

Hon. Jonas R. Mullock.

Hon. Jonas R. Mullock, publishes a card in the Pittsburg papers, withdrawing his name from the list of candidates for nomination for Governor.

Col. Benton and Col. Fremont.

Col. Benton and Col. Fremont will be present at the dinner of the 'New England Society' in New York on the 23d inst.

The Pennsylvania Railroad.

The Philadelphia Ledger announces that this road has commenced the erection of a new depot in that city.

Christmas Toys, &c.

Parents, Guardians and others, wishing to purchase Christmas presents for the children, we would advise them to call at the fancy store of Mr. James McDermitt.

California.

California has gone Democratic in every particular. Buchanan has a majority of thirty thousand over Fremont, and eight thousand over Fillmore; the Democratic Congressmen are elected, and the Legislature stands on joint ballot 79 Democrats to 29 Americans and 14 Republicans.

Novel Views from Kansas.

A private letter from a gentleman who has been traveling in Kansas, published in the Evening Post, says that the settlers there are confident that Kansas will be a Free State.

Something of a Change.

It is said that the Hon. S. A. Douglas, when he set out for Washington, was not allowed to pass a station between Chicago and Cleveland without being called out.

The Minnie Rifle.

A proof of the great distance a Minnie rifle will carry a ball has been given at Magdeburgh.

A Noble Sentiment.

The following toast was sent by Gen. Cass to the Democratic celebration held on Wednesday evening last at Faneuil Hall, Boston:

The Election of Buchanan and Breckinridge.

The victory of patriotism over moral treason—of enlightened self-government over violence and disorder—of the Union and the Constitution over the extremes of sectionalism and disunion North and South.

A Connecticut Dame.

A Connecticut dame, Mrs. Clarissa Williams, is now living in her 90th year; she spins a run of yarn a day, and sews without the aid of glasses.

The Albany Burgess Corps.

The Albany Burgess Corps have unanimously voted to visit Washington on the occasion of the inauguration of Buchanan.

Mrs. Francis Lear.

Mrs. Francis Lear, widow of the late Col. Tobias Lear, private secretary of General Washington, died at Washington on Tuesday.

The Barn of Mrs. John Terrell.

The barn of Mrs. John Terrell, in Orange county, Va., with a quantity of grain, was destroyed by fire on the 4th inst.

California Letters.

California letters state that the Legislature is largely Democratic, and that Mr. Gwin will certainly be elected Senator.

A Correspondent of the Washington Review.

A correspondent of the Washington Review brings forward the name of Gen. Carter of that County, for the office of Canal Commissioner. The General would make a capital officer.

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The Buchanan Majority.

The Buchanan majority in 62 counties of Texas is 9,849.

Col. Thomas H. Benton.

Col. Thomas H. Benton is announced to lecture in fifteen places in the Eastern States.

Congress.

Congress is still engaged in the discussion of the everlasting 'nigger' question.

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The Growth of Illinois.

It is one of the wonders of this great country, in 1850 she stood eleventh among the States in point of population; now she ranks only after New York, Pennsylvania and Ohio.

The Official Vote of Texas.

The official vote of Texas is published in the Galveston Civilian of the 29th ult. It stands thus:

For Buchanan and Breckinridge.

For Buchanan and Breckinridge 28,757 For Fillmore and Donnellson 15,244 Democratic majority, 13,513

Whole vote.

Whole vote 44,001 The vote of the State is about twenty thousand short of a full one. As it is Texas polls more votes than the State of Louisiana, which has four Representatives in Congress, while she has but two, under the apportionment of 1850.

The Report of the Postmaster General.

Of the report of the Postmaster General, the Philadelphia Gazette, an opposition print, remarks: 'It is due to Mr. Campbell, who has made his last annual report to Congress, and is about to retire from his high office, to say, what in need we can say in strong and cordial terms that he has performed the onerous but honorable duties of that office with a single eye to the interests of the public, with a faithfulness industry, and ability unsurpassed; that he has fully met and answered all just claims of the community upon him, and will leave the department in as prosperous a condition as was possible in the administrative skill of single man to render it.'

Seriously Ill.

The Wrightsville Star mentions the serious illness of Col. Reah Frazier of Lancaster, Pa., it is supposed by over excitement in money and political matters.