

WAR NEWS.

The following is an account of the storming and capture of Fort De Russy on the Red River:

An account of the advance of Gen. Smith's forces had formed a junction with the advance of Gen. Banks at Alexandria, the Rebels retreating to Shreveport. At the latter place the Rebels have three powerful iron-clads, with which they expect to destroy the Union fleet.

Latest from Memphis says that the Rebel Gen. McCullough is reported to be en route North with 2,500 men to reinforce Gen. Forrest. Gen. Grierson has his cavalry force out watching and harassing Gen. Forrest, but his division is much reduced by veterans at home on furlough.

Over 900 Rebel deserters came into Chattanooga during the month of March. On the 21st inst., a force under command of Gen. Rowder made a reconnaissance as far as Red River as Natchitoches, where they met the enemy in considerable numbers.

Operations against Fort Powell, near Mobile, have been suspended for the present.

The Copperhead press have had more to say about our recent ill success in Florida than they have had to say about all our successes for months. They try to blame President Lincoln for the reverse. What a set of fair dealing beauties they are!

The Copperheads have written an article in favor of Gen. McClellan, and have hired a play-actress, named Webb, to try her luck going about the country to "spout" it.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, recently, Mr. Brossall, of Pennsylvania, declared that in 1861 he heard Judge Woodward, of Pennsylvania, whom General McClellan endorsed by letter, when he was running for Governor, express the hope that if the country were divided the line might run north of Pennsylvania.

OWEN LOVEJOY.—Owen Lovejoy is dead, and we note the fact with reverence for the country has lost a sterling patriot, and the grave will close over a brave and honest man. Such men we must deeply regret, because they are precious as they are few, and though we have brighter names than that of Owen Lovejoy, he, at least, in his sphere, did his duty chivalrously.

St. Louis, March 28.—A large haul of counterfeit greenbacks was made in this city on Saturday. It is stated that Thomas Smith bought a hundred and fifty-five mules of Wolf & Pike, near Sedalia, last week, paying for them \$138 per head, in hundred dollar treasury notes.

Wolf & Pike subsequently learned that the money received by them was counterfeit, and not being able to find the person that passed it off, came here on Saturday and presented the case to the proper authorities, who ordered the arrest of Mr. Jones, and took possession of the notes, the ownership of which will have to be determined by law.

Minister Dayton has served a written notification upon the French Emperor that if the rebel cruiser Rappahannock now at Calais is allowed to proceed to sea, the French government will be held responsible for all damage she may do to American commerce.

Ignorance and Treason.

That ignorance is the mother of treason and of this rebellion, there is abundant evidence. The "poor white trash" of the South, were made the tools of a few designing knaves, and they really believed that their rights were invaded by the Government of the United States instead of the aristocratic scoundrels who dealt in "slaves and souls of men."

In this state of mind they allowed themselves to be precipitated into the rebellion which has plunged them into such unexpected misery. In the North, wherever ignorance, vices, and crime reign supreme, there is the stronghold of what is now called "democracy," but what is as really treason, as any action of the same class at the South.

We have a pointed illustration of this fact that ignorance and copperheadism travel together in this State. By examining the report of the State Superintendent of Common Schools, we find that in the year 1863, there still remained twenty-five districts where they refused to provide for the education of every child by uniform taxation—in other words they are returned as "non-accepting school districts."

In Schuylkill are four non-accepting districts—West Brunswick, Upper Mahanogo, North (Ind.) and West Penn. North appears not to be an election district. The three others voted as follows:

For Woodward, 630
Curtis, 196

443 maj. for Woodward—a fair share of his 2041 majority in fifty-nine districts! In Northumberland county are seven non-accepting—Jackson, Jordan, Cameron, Upper, Lower and Little Mahanog—which together voted thus:

For Woodward, 470
Curtis, 392

321 maj. for Woodward—about half his majority of 708 votes in twenty-five districts! In Wyoming county are five non-accepting—Falls, Tunkhannock township, Washington, Overfield, and Lemon—which gave:

For Woodward, 470
Curtis, 254

216 maj. for Woodward—but Woodward had only 39 majority in the eighteen districts of the whole county!

SUMMARY.
15 non-accepting districts Woodward 1825
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Maj. for Woodward, 842

Over two to one for Woodward in these 15 non-accepting school districts of the State, while the whole State gave Curtis over 15,000 majority!—Lewisburg Chronicle.

FRIGHTFUL ACCIDENT AT ELMIRA.—The U. S. Sanitary Fair, which commenced at Elmira on the 14th inst., proved very successful, and we regret to record a most frightful accident by which it was brought suddenly to a close. The first Presbyterian Church, in which one of the departments of the Fair was held, was burned on Friday evening, by which several persons were severely injured, and one little boy, a son of W. B. Hart, lost his life.

To BE PAID.—The militia in service in 1862, it is believed will now soon be paid off, the Paymaster General of the United States Army, having ordered Major Bruce, of Baltimore, to examine the rolls, and to proceed to make immediate payment upon them.

Nothing special from Congress.

IMMEDIATE EMANCIPATION.—The

Unconditional Union State Central Committee of Maryland, say well in their recent address to the people of that State: "The only emancipation which is compatible with the interests of the whole now slaveholding population is that which shall be immediate—convert the slave into a free man where he is, and as he is, and give him the protection of the laws."

"BEST PARLORS."—Some sensible writer, talks in this wise: Don't keep a solitary parlor into which you go but once a month with your parson, special guests or sewing society. Make your living-room the house. Let the place be such that when your boy has gone to distant lands, or even when, perhaps, he clings to a single plank in the waters of the wide ocean, the thought of the old homestead shall come to him in his desolation, bringing always light, hope, and love.

THE QUOTA OF PENNSYLVANIA.—The table published by many of the papers last week, showing the quotas of the various states, and the number of men yet to be furnished by each State, and making the balance for Pennsylvania, 74,127, is now pronounced incorrect. 74,127 is the entire number of men due from Pennsylvania under all the calls, allowing no credit for veteran volunteers, and new recruits since January 31st.

COPPERHEAD CHANGE OF FRONT.—A Harrisburg correspondent of the Chambersburg Repository says that the Democratic editors of the State had a convention there on Wednesday last. They sat in the Surveyor General's office with closed doors, and their deliberations were confined principally to the best plan of carrying the next Presidential election.

Whereas: It is well known that many teachers have gone from Potter County to offer their lives upon their country's altar; therefore,

Resolved, That we sincerely regret the necessity of their absence; but that, instead of dwelling upon our own loss, we tender them a vote of our most hearty thanks for their noble devotion to their country; and that we hope and pray that they may be protected by Divine Providence in their high calling, and allowed to return to aid us as heretofore.

Resolved, That a committee of three teachers or directors be appointed in each School District to superintend the collection of any articles that may be useful to sick and wounded soldiers or sailors; and to obtain as far as possible accurate accounts of the number, names and other particulars concerning teachers who have gone to the army from their respective townships; and that the committee be instructed to forward such articles and statistics to R. T. Clafflin, at Coudersport, Pa.—said committee to continue in office till the close of the summer term of schools.

Resolved, That we highly appreciate the patriotic service of our late County Superintendent, Mr. S. Lewis, in behalf of his country; and that we tender him our heart-felt sympathy in his misfortunes. Resolved, That he be notified of this action of the Institute, by the Secretary.

Resolved, That the proceedings of this Institute be forwarded to the POTTER JOURNAL for publication. Thursday Afternoon.—Drills in Mental Arithmetic, Grammar and Spelling, conducted by O. B. Bird, D. H. Pingrey and M. S. Bird. Essay by G. R. Darling. Discussion on the following:

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Potter Co. Teachers' Institute.

Teachers' Institute met at Lewisville March 15, at 9 o'clock A. M., agreeably to the appointment by the County Superintendent, and continued in session four days. Thirty-four teachers were present at the commencement, but as the Institute progressed the number increased to about fifty.

The Institute was opened by prayer, the Rev. Mr. Rowland officiating, and then organized by electing the following officers: L. B. Grover, President; D. H. Pingrey, Vice President and Stella Bishop, Secretary. A committee was then appointed to prepare a Programme for the afternoon exercises. Mr. C. Lewis introduced the following Resolution:

Resolved, That teachers should not board around. After a brief discussion, Mr. L. Bird offered the following, as an amendment: Resolved, That it is better for teachers and schools that the teachers be provided with one place, at which to board; and that the members of this Institute request Directors to act in accordance with such decision, as far as practicable. This amendment was finally substituted for Mr. C. Lewis' resolution and was adopted.

Tuesday Afternoon.—The afternoon session was opened by some timely and appropriate remarks by Mr. L. Bird, followed by class drills in Reading, Grammar and Spelling by Mrs. Johnson, R. T. Clafflin and Miss Cushing; after which quite an animated discussion took place on the propriety of employing female teachers in preference to males. Tuesday Evening.—At the evening session the following question was discussed: Should the whip ever be carried into school for the purpose of punishing scholars? Decided by a vote of the house in the negative. Address by L. B. Grover.

Wednesday Morning.—After call of roll, the minutes of the preceding day were read and approved; after which Class Drills till noon in Arithmetic, Geography and Mental Arithmetic, conducted by C. R. Darling, J. A. Howe and O. B. Bird. Wednesday Afternoon.—Essay by L. B. Grover, on the subject of teaching Reading, followed by an exercise in Grammar, conducted by R. T. Clafflin. Prof. Pingrey then made some very appropriate remarks on Penmanship; after which Mrs. Cushing conducted an exercise in Reading, and Miss E. M. Surdam in Spelling.

Thursday Morning.—After prayer and singing, the minutes of the previous day were read and corrected. Class Drills in Arithmetic and Geography, conducted by T. D. Pingrey and M. A. Bassett followed. On motion of R. T. Clafflin, the regular order of business was suspended to admit of action on the following Resolutions:

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The great Fair, in aid of the Sanitary Commission, at Brooklyn, N. Y., has just closed.

Their success is unprecedented in this country, or, perhaps, was never equalled anywhere. The receipts amounted to something over four hundred thousand dollars.

ANOTHER STATE.—Western Texas will be among the batch of new States that will seek admission into the Union. By the terms of the annexation of Texas, the subdivision of her territory was provided for. This provision, however, was designed to benefit and extend slavery, but the result will be quite the reverse, for the new State will be free. The territory embraced within its boundaries is settled mostly by Germans, many of whom have been mercilessly conscripted into the rebel ranks.

FATAL ACCIDENT.—Hon. Ezekiel Mowrey, of Meshoppen, Wyoming county, Pa., met his death under the following circumstances: He was engaged in his plaster mill grinding corn, and while working about the cracker, his coat caught by the button-hole on a screw that held the coupling of the shaft together, just above the cracker, and before he was aware of his situation, had wound him so closely up that he could not extricate himself. In this position he remained until his knit coat, a thick flannel, and cotton shirt, and his vest, were torn into shreds, and he was only liberated when his body had been forced through a space of ten inches between the turning shaft and a post. From this he fell into the hopper and then to the floor, where he lay about an hour before he was discovered. He died in a few minutes. He represented Wyoming county in the Legislature in 1849 and 1850.

LIST OF LETTERS, remaining in the Post Office at Coudersport, Pa., March 31, 1864. Miss Hetta Chase, A. W. Humphries, Mrs. Harriet Ferguson, A. Sidney Lyman, E. Hart, Jonathan McConnell, N. F. Hopper, Benjamin Patten, Francis M. Riant.

HOTEL TO RENT. LYMAN HOUSE, East corner Main Street, in Lyman, Potter County, Pa. Can be rented for one year, commencing 15th May 1864. Payment quarterly in advance; sealed proposals can be left with F. T. Taylor, Esq., at Lyman, or with the undersigned at Cleveland, Ohio, until May 1st, 1864. C. C. LYMAN. April 6, 1864.

STOP THIEF. WAS stolen from the barn of C. Cowley, in Addison, N., on Saturday, Feb. 20th, 1864, a dark chestnut Mare, rather under size, one or two white feet, rather down-headed, large scar on both buttocks made by kicks, newly shod, large white stripe in the face, over reaches when trotted fast, about 10 years old. Also one-half of a double plated carriage harness with the lines used as single, a russet-colored bridle and martingale, also belonging to me (Shockey); and an old sulky, with elliptic springs, seat on iron frame, and a buffalo robe lined with red druggist and trimmed with red cord trimming; and a blind bridle.

The thief, when here, called himself Charles Morgan, but we have since learned that his real name is Pratt Matt. Is not 21, light complexion, rather slender built, about 5 ft. 8 in. high, has a fever sore on his right ankle and shin, causing him to walk on the ball of his foot. His father lives in Letty, Bradford Co., Pa. He has been in Elmira Jail for horse stealing, and was bailed out by his father, and forfeited the bail bonds, and has since stolen (we are informed) a watch and some money from his father, and a lot of skins from Mr. Class Packer, of Corning, and other articles from Mr. Wolcott, and is a dangerous man to roam at large. He hid here his sore over reaches when trotted fast, about 10 years old. Also one-half of a double plated carriage harness with the lines used as single, a russet-colored bridle and martingale, also belonging to me (Shockey); and an old sulky, with elliptic springs, seat on iron frame, and a buffalo robe lined with red druggist and trimmed with red cord trimming; and a blind bridle.

Any person returning to us or giving us any information as to the whereabouts of the said stolen property and thief, or either of them, so that we can obtain them, will be liberally rewarded. CALVIN GOWLEY, LEWIS SHOCKLEY. Addison, March 18, 1864. N. B.—Please cut this out and paste it up in some conspicuous place.

United States Internal Revenue. Annual Taxes for 1864. THE attention of tax-payers is hereby called to the provisions of the United States Excise Law relative to the assessment of annual taxes.

By the sixth section of the act of July 1, 1862, it is made the duty of all persons, partnerships, firms, associations, or corporations, made liable to any annual duty, license, or tax, or on any day the first Monday of May in each year to make a list or return to the Assistant Assessor of the District where located of the amount of annual income, the articles or objects charged with a special tax, and the business or occupation liable to pay any license.

Every person who shall fail to make such return by the day specified will be liable to be assessed by the Assessor according to the best information which he can obtain; and in such case the Assessor is required to add fifty per centum to the amount of the items of such list. Every person who shall deliver to an Assessor any false or fraudulent list or statement, with intent to evade the valuation or enumeration required by law is subject to a fine of five hundred dollars; and in such case the list will be made out by the Assessor or Assistant Assessor, and from the valuation and enumeration there can be no appeal. Payment of the annual taxes except those for licenses, will not be demanded until the thirtieth day of June. The appropriate blanks on which to make return, and all necessary information, will be furnished by the Assistant Assessors of this District for their respective Divisions, to whom the returns should be delivered at their offices on or before the first Monday of May. GEORGE BOAL, U. S. Assessor, 18th District Pa. Assessor's Office, Boalsburg, Mar. 1, '64.

Winter Goods AT OLMSTED'S.

YOUR attention is invited to the large and attractive stock just received, and for sale as low as the same qualities can be bought anywhere in the county. We have on hand a large and varied assortment of Domestic Cottons, comprising BROWN SHIRTINGS, and SHIRTINGS, BLEACHED MUSLINS, DENIMS, STRIPES, CHECKS, TICKINGS, and COTTON FLANNELS, on which we cannot be undersold. We purchase our goods for Cash and offer them at a very small advance. From Cost.

FLANNELS. If you want to purchase RED, GRAY, BLUE, or PLAID FRENCH SHIRTING FLANNEL, call at Olmsted's. DRESS GOODS: DELAINES, PRINTS, BROCHE, and WOOLEN SHAWLS, HOODS, SONTAGS, NUBIAS, BALMORAL SKIRTS, CLOTHS, and CASSIMERES. A full supply. At Olmsted's.

CLOTHING. DON'T fail to call before purchasing and see the assortment. At Olmsted's.

BOOTS & SHOES. FOR Men, Women & Children, in great variety and cheap. At Olmsted's.

For Molasses, Syrup, Sugar, Tea and Coffee, in fact everything in the Grocery line, call AT OLMSTED'S.

A full assortment of almost everything that is kept in a country store on hand. We intend to keep Goods that will give satisfaction and sell good articles at the lowest living profit. AT OLMSTED'S.

Wanted. Grain of all kinds, Butter, Wool, Sheep Pelts, Hays, Deer Skins, Alec. County, Township and School Orders, for all of which the highest prices will be paid. At Olmsted's. Coudersport, Pa., Nov. 18, 1863.

VOLUNTEERS ATTENTION! \$300 Co. Bounty

The Commissioners of Potter County will pay to each Volunteer under the last call of the President the sum of THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS, in the following manner: \$100, Cash, as soon as sworn into the United States service. \$100 in a Bond, bearing interest, payable one year from date, in Cash, and \$100 in a Bond, bearing interest, payable two years from date, in Cash. These Bonds will be paid in Cash, when due; and no orders will be issued upon them in any event, so that they cannot remain par until paid. This in connection with that offered by the Government makes a Bounty of \$602 to new recruits and \$702 to veterans.

L. S. ROBERTSON, C. P. KILBOURNE, R. L. NICHOLS, Commissioners. CAPT. L. H. KINNEY, Recruiting Agent for this county is prepared to enlist men and furnish transportation.

WANTED! A first-rate, steady, BLACKSMITH immediately.

L. BIRD, Brookland, Potter Co., Pa. Nov. 4, 1863. P. A. Stebbins & Co. ARE AGENTS for the sale of WHEELER & WILSON'S SEWING MACHINES for Potter County. Nov. 18, '63.