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most influential and largest circulating Newspapers in the United States and phia, Pa. the Canadas, they are authorized to conract for us at our lowest rates.

DEMOCRATIC STATE CONVENTION POSTPONED .- At the formal meeting of the Democratic State Central Committee tion should be called to meet at Harrisburg, on Wednesday, the 21st day of June, inst., but having since learned from a majority of the Committee, and being advised by many other leading Democrats of the State, that a postponement to a later day would, on many secounts, be acceptable, and is generally desired. I hereby give notice that the next Democratic State Convention of l'enusylvania, will convene at the Hall of the House of Representatives, in the city of Harrisburg, on Thursday, the 24th day of August next at one o'clock

C. L. Wann, Chairman, Towanda, June 1st 1865.

From the Clearfield Republican. SENATORIAL CONVENTION .- The at that place. Democracy of this Senatorial District, are no doubt aware that the time is ap proaching for holding a district Convention. The District being a new one compos. Cameron, Elk and Forest, it becomes Wilcox is situated on the waters of the the duty of the Chairman of the respective county Committees, to fix a time and

REPRESENTATIVE CONVENTION .-In accordance with an agreement made at the last Convention at Ridgway, the next Conference of this Representative District, will meet at Luthersburg, on Friday, the first day of Septembe!

IMPROVEMENTS .- Our town has at last "wa'sed up to a sense of duty," --during the day our ears are greeted with the constant sound of the hammer and saw-our streets crowded with carpenters and other mechanics. Several new buildings are being built and any amount of repairing is being done at the old ones. Ridgway in a short time will present quite a different aspect. A. ing his store room opposite the public best quality and most saleable kind. square. He has raised the roof of the old building four feet, and added to the back end, thirty feet of a new buildingthe front has been entirely re-moddled and about eight feet added to the buil. ding. When completed it will look well, and make the store room much more convenient. The work is done under the direction of Mr. Ale, of Clear. field, Clearfield Co., Pa.

There has been quite a new branch of business lately started in this filled. place-that of boat building. During the last two months past, some ten or twelve boats have been built here and run to different points on the Clarion liver, loaded generally with with Flour, Pork, Beans, Molasses and occasionally an Engine for the oil wells. The boats have generally found there way over the rough waters safe, with but one or two exceptions. Mr. H. Fullerton of Brookville Jeff. Co., built quite a large boat, and had it heavy loaded with salt, flour, molasses &c., and started for Armstrong's, run on a rock near Beach bottom the beat broke in two pieces and sunk. The salt was consid. erably damaged and the flour slightly. Mr. Fullertons loss is estimated at about two hundred and fifty dollars. Try it again Henry, you will perhaps, be more

The Oll well of Dickinson & Co., in this place is progressing, and the operators are still encouraged to prosecute the work. The well is now about eight hundred feet, and those who have visited the well from different sections of the oil region say, that the very best indications are to be seen. So far as we have been able to learn, they are now in a white sand rock.

Ber Major General Hunter was the orator of the negro celebration at Wash. ington on the 4th .- Ex.

General Hunter ought to go to Utah and be married to about fifteen three his distinguished services - Herald.

on and after the 21st day of August, will be kept for one year, by Mr. M. V. Moore, of Oil City. The property was leased for one year by Mr. E. Boyington of Olean N. Y.

Mrs. E. O. Clements, who ownes and has kept the house for some time back, likely to occur at any time. In such an will retire from public life for a short time. If the house is kept in the style and manner, by Mr. Moore, that it has been by Mrs. Clements, the stranger and in the assurance like that apprehended traveler can rest satisfied of finding a comfortable stopping place.

Godey for August .- This popular Magazine, for August is on our table. It would be useless for us to attempt to and 1 0 State St., Boston say any thing, by way of a "puff"-those S. M. PETTENGILL & Co., are the that read the Lady's Book, will suffi-Agents for the ELK ADVOCATE and the ciently recommend it. Terms \$3,00 a year. Address L. A. Godey, Philadel.

meg. Dr. J. W. Baily of St. Mary's Borough, this county, visited our place last week and stopped at the "Hyde House" for four or five days, where he it was resolved that the State Conven. was visited by a number of our ladiessome wanting teeth extracted and others having the old stumps rooted out and an cutire new set of teeth put in. The Doctor is a scienced hand at the work, and consequently give general satisfaction. He will visit our place soon again.

> non. The Oil wells at Spring Creek are again "right side up" and the work progressing. Mr. Newbold informs us that the well in which the tools were stuck for some time past, and taken out on last Monday, shows the best indica. tions of soon striking oil. The well is company are sinking a number of wells

wen. We learn that on Thursday last good "shows" of oil were discovered in one of the wells at Wilcox, at the depth ing the counties of Clarion, Clearfield, of three hundred and sixty-five fect. Clarion river and is some six or eight dom .- Wilmington (N. C.) Herald, place for meeting, and the sooner the hundred feet higher than this place. Public know when and where it is to be If oil is found there, why not in Ridg. Surratt-Treatment of her Confessor .-

> The Clarion last week was con siderably above a good rafting stage several of our lumbermen sustained quite a loss in saw.logs &c. Hyde & Cummings lost about three hundred logs and a portion of the head race of the saw milt. Wheeler & Co., lost about twelve hundred logs, and considerable damage was done to the mill dam, which they were about reparing at the time.

100 The firm of Boner & Burgess, Erie city, continue to keep their trade before the public They advertise ex. Willis Esq., is building quite a large tensively, and well they may, for it is house on Centre street, for a private impossible to find a better stock of goods to Father Walter, being an intelligent residence-when finished it will be quite their line, in this section of the country. an addition to that part of our village. They are largely engaged in the manu-

> They also keep constantly on hand an Foreign and Domestic Fruits, Pickles, Oysters, Cigars, Tobacco, &c. Their Notion and Toy department embrace all the small wares in daily use. Paying particular attention to the wholesale trade, and buying in large lots, they are enabled to supply dealers at lowest cash prices. Orders promptly and carefully

The Moss and Elm Cough Candy con. tinues in demand. The wholesale price per gross has been reduced, giving the retailer a larger margin. jy27-tf.

The Pennsylvania State Teachers' Association will hold its annual meeting at Meadville, on the 16th, 17th and 18th of August, instead of the date hereto-

ALARMING INDICATIONS,-The frequent recurrences of collisions between the blacks and whites in this vicinity, of which our local columns bear ample testimony, is an alarming indication. There is no disguising the fact that the resi. dent black population of the town is fearfully demoralized through the sym. pathy of the garrison of the town. And unless some remedy is applied at oncewe shall have trouble of a most serious

There was a time, two or three weeks ago, when the conduct of the black sol. diers was anything but what it should our testimony to the efficacy of the stringent and salutary orders issued by Gen. Ames and Colonel Chamberlain, which has checked this evil very materially, so that now, in their conduct as soldiers, there is vastly less cause of complaint | York Tribune, July 17.

against the garrison. But in their intercouse with the black

The "Hyde House" in this place, to conceal the fact longer. We are really slumbering on a volcano, the mut terings of which are already distinctly heard, and occasionally through some spot weaker than another, the flame breaks forth. The general eruption is latter 190. event the whites will be at the mercy of the blacks. We fear to place confidence tion. would be found otherwise than on the side of their own race. It is too late now to temporize with this matter. It is too late to delay the preparations for meet. ing such an apprehended outbreak. If such arrangements be not promptly made, there will be a fearful reckoning for some one. We do not know where the responsibility rests, but it must be met at once, or the consequences will be

If the blacks, acting under the advice of bad counsellors, presume too far and demand too much, they will surely accomplish their own destruction. Counting upon the sympathy of the garrison now here, they may insult the whites with opprebrious epithets, demand priv. ileges that their race nowhere enjoys, as. sume to dictate when, where, how and for how much they will work, and gen. erally pursue such a course as to make them obnoxious and intolerable; but enforced now in some of the Northern States. It will be well for those who near eight hundred feet deep; the same have ear of these unfortunate and misguided people to admonish them of these things. We print this in no spirit of undindness towards the race, but rather for their good, that by indusing them to ted to remain here and enjoy their free. elapsed for the "sober second thought

> SECRETARY STANTON AND MRS. morning the 6th inst., the Rev. Father Walter, pastor of St. Patrick's Church, in this city, went to the War Office to ask for a pass to visit Mrs. Surratt, igno. rant of the fact that she had already been condemned to suffer death on the following day. He had never previous. ly visited Mrs. S., nor did he know her except by reputation. On application, he was informed by Gen. Hardie, A. A. G. to Secretary Stauton, that he could not give him a pass without first consulting Mr. Stanton, who was out at the time. Father Walter returned home, and at I o'clock a. m., on the same day, received a pass to visit the prison, signed, by order of the Secretary of War,

Gen. Hardie, A. A. G. The messenger who brought the pass himself called at the residence of Fath. er Walters, and after some irrelevant conversation, said : "Father Walter, you assortment of Oranges, Lomous, Nuts, made quite an impression on the mind of my messenger in regard to the execution of Mrs. Surratt," to which Father W. remarked that he was firmly impressed with her entire innocence. Gen. Hardie then said : "Father Walter, the pass you have will not admit you to the military prison to-morrow, because it is not signed by the Secretary of War. I want you to make me a promise to say nothing of Mrs. Surratt's innocence, and

will give you the necessary pass." Father Walter, naturally indignant, mmediately refused to accede to Gen. H's demand, giving him to understand. in the plainest kind of language, that no officials, civil or military, could enforce his silence on this point; and remarked that he knew under whose authority he (Gen. H.) was acting. Gen. Hardie-a converted Catholic, by the way-then said, patronizingly, that as yet there were no charges lodged against him, Father W., at the War Department, to which the latter rejoined that he might tell his master, Stanton, that he conscientiously believed Mrs. Surratt guiltless; that he should proclaim his belief, and that the War Department might hang him if it thought proper.

Gen. Hardie was about to go without giving Father W. the pass, when the latter said ; "Gen. Hardie, I cannot suffer Mrs. Surratt to die without administering the sacrament; I say yes to your Gen. proposition; give me the pass." Hardie then drew from his pocket a pass duly filled up and sigued by Edwin M. Stanton, admitting him, Father W., to the prison until after the execution.

Previous to the removal of Mrs. Sur. ratt from the Carroll to the military be. But we are glad to be able to bear Prison, Father W. had made application to the War Office for a pass to visit her, she being very ill, but in every instance his applications were denied, and up to the very day before the execution of Mrs. S. was deprived by the Secretary of War of spiritual attendants .- New

Brown's Branchial Troches-This Universal Remedy for Coughs, Colds, residents they have infused such ideas and Bronchial Affections now stands the and awakened such dissatistaction at first in public favor and confidence; this | ble tragedy took place in Madison countheir condition among the latter, that the result has been acquired by a test of ty, about four miles from London, last safety of the community is really in per. | thirteen years. Its merit and extensive | week, but our informant could not give il. We regret the occasion for making use have caused the Troches to be countries. We recite this awful story as terfeited, and we would caution purchate we heard it. A farmer sold his farm to

two States in the Union where the negro is ullowed to vote without a property qualification. They are Vermont and New Hampshire, the former of which has only eighty colored voters, and the

In Massachusetts every voter must, within two years, have paid a State or large amount of money in the house. county tax, unless excused from taxa.

real estate of one hundred and thirty four dollars value, or of the clear yearly value of seven dollars over any ground room in which he usually kept his pa-

A colored person is not allowed to there were burglers in the house. vote in New York unless he has resided in the State three years, and is a freeholder in value of two hundred and fifty dollars, and paid taxes thereon,

Massachusetts, which does not at home allow any man to vote who has not pedler killed two of them, when the paid a State or county tax directly, for third ran toward the farmer, who killed they all pay indirectly, it is very desirous that the Southern Statet shall allow mer was horrified to find his wife and negroes to vote without such a discrimi nation. She goes in for universal block suffrage at the South, while denying it to her poor whites at home. This is Massachusetts philanthrophy, or preference for negro to white .- E-ic

From the Erie Observer THE Buffalo Courier is incorrect in saying that "Pennsylvania will elect a Democratic Governor this fall." doubt not that her next choice of a person to fill the executive office will fall upon one of her Democratic citizens, but delphia, charged some of the parties then the civil law will step in and ban- unfortunately for her interests and the ish them all from the State. And such cause of republican institutions, her tempting to recover his money, a general a law can and will be enforced as it is people have not the legal opportunity fight ensued, in which men, women, to make a change in the occupant of the position until next year. When they do obtain the opportunity they will speak in tones not to be misunderstood, their disapprobation of the wickedness and frauds which have ruled for the pas five years, and disgraced and injured tht State almost beyond retribution. The officers to be elected this fall are an a course of good behaviour in their Auditor and Surveyor General, and changed condition, they may be permit- although sufficient time has scarcely of the people to resume sway, our friends at Harrisburg and Philadelphia express unbounded confidence in success. As the campaign will be looked upon to a WASHINGTON, July 16 .- On Thursday certain extent as indicating the result next year we expect to see a spirited

AN AFFECTING SCENE AT THE WHITE HOUSE,-Efforts were made during all of Thursday night by counsel and friends to secure a reprieve for Mrs. Surratt, but President Johnson declined to interfere. About half past 8 o'clock Friday morning, Miss Surratt, accompanied by a female friend, visited the White House, baving been there last evening for the purpose of obtaining an interview with the President. President Johnson having given orders that he would receive no one that day, the door-keeper stopped Miss Surratt at the foot of the steps leading up to the President's office, and would not permit her to pro. ceed turther. She then asked permission to see General Muzzy, the Presi, Irishman, Father W. entered into con- dent's Military Secretary, who promptly versation with him on the subject of the answered the summons and come down ty. execution, firmly asserting his belief in stairs where Miss Surratt was standing. that the stairs where Miss Surratt was standing.

In half, or perhaps an hour afterward, Gen. Hardie and Mrs. Surratt stairs where Miss Surratt was standing.

As soon as the General made his appears an hour afterward, Gen. Hardie ance Miss Surratt threw herself and her ance Miss Surratt threw herself upon her from the Cleveland (Ohio) Herald, a knees before him, and catching him by the throat, with loud sobs and streaming eyes, implored him to assist her in ob. taining a hearing with the President. General Muzzy in a tender manner in. formed Miss Surratt that he could not comply with her request, as President Johnson's orders were importative that he should receive us one. Upon Gen. Muzzy returning to his office, Miss S. threw herself upon the stairs, where she have enjoyed under the dispensation of remained a considerable length of time sobbing aloud in the greatest anguish. protesting her mother's innocence, and imploring every one who came near her to intercede in her mother's behalt. While thus weeping she declared her mother was too good and kind to be the Hopewell Oil Company, on the Al. guilty of the enormous crime of which she was convicted, and asserted that if her mother was put to death, she wished to die also. The scene was heart rend- day. The tubing was put down, and ing, and many of those who witnessed it, including a number of hardy soldiers, ately began to flow-throwing the oil were moved to tears. Miss S. having over the derrick. The oil may not hold become quited, gave vent to her feelings in silent tears, and was finally persuaded to take a seat in the East Room, where she remained for several hours, jumping | mile of river front where this fine well up from her seat each time the front door of the mansion was opened, evi. dently in hopes of seeing some one enter who could be of service to her in obtaining the desirea interview with the President, or that they were bearers of good news to her. Two of Harold's sisters, dressed in full mourning and heavily veiled, made their appearance at the White House shortly afer Miss Surratt, for the purpose of interceding with the President in behalf of their brother. Failing to see the President, they addressed a note to Mrs. Johnson and expressed a hope that she would not turn a deaf ear to their pleadings. Mrs. Johnson being quite sick, it was deemed ex. pedient by the ushers not to deliver the note, when, as a last expedient, the ladies asked permission to forward a not to Mrs. Patterson, the President's daughter, which privilege was not granted, as Mrs. P. was also quite indis.

HORRIBLE MURDER OF A WOMAN AND CHILD .- The Three Murderers Killed .- We are informed that a horrihundred pound wenches, as a reward for his distinguished services — Herald. The distinguished services — Herald. The services is a non-commentative of the services and we would caution purchast worth. The his distinguished services — Herald. The evening he school house on Michael street. in part payment. In the evening he school house on Michael street.

posed .- Correspondent Boston Post.

NEGRO VOTING .- There are only walked to London, leaving his wife and child at home

Some time after, a pedlar, who had often stayed all night at the house, drove up and asked permission to remain, but the farmer's wife declined, because it was doubtful if her bushand returned that night, and she knew there was a She remarked to the pedlar that if her husband returned he would meet him. In Phode Island a voter must own The pedler drove on, met the farmer and returned. As they approached the house, the farmer observed a light in a pers, and remarked to the pedlar that

> The pedler produced a pair of revolvers, and the two, stationed themselves at points where the burglers would probably attempt to escape, gave the alarm, and the three men rushed out. The him. Upon entering the house, the far, child murdered. When the bodies of the murderers were examined, it was discovered that they were the parties who had purchased the farm that day, one of them being brother-in-law to the farmer .- Dogton Journal.

HORRIBLE. -- At the conclusion of a afternoon of last week, the persons pre sent adjourned to a groggery to drink and carouse. While there, Thomas Huggerty, a boatman, who resides at Twenty third and Spruce street, Philawith robbing him of \$18. While at children and even dogs participated. Missiles of every description were used freely, and black eyes, bloody noses and confused countenances soon became as numerous as the combatants. During the frightful melee, Haggerty was stabbed so badly by a man named Hugh Riddle, that his bowels protruded, and he did on Monday night.

The Oil City Register says the Pit Hole excitement still continues .-Towns are springing up in that favored locality, and every one seeking to invest his means in oil lands or leases thereat. One day last week the United States Petroleum Company sold fifteen leases at auction, and the prices ranged from \$4,000 to \$7,000 per lease. Just think of paying a bonus of this amount, besides giving to the company one half of the oil. But large fortunes are being made there every hour, and the excitement is unabated. No one, so a friend tells us is allowed to own any of the property in that locality longer than fifteen minutes, so that speculation has become legiti. mate. Mining operations are busily carried on everywhere and we think the developments of the present season will prove the most favorable ever before known. We estimate the daily production at about 6,000 barrels per day, or

"REPUBLICAN" FREE SPEECH .-Emerson Etheridge has been arrested. He should be made to hold his tongue, or put where it can wag with impuni-

This paragraph, so characteristic of Republican paper. How admirably, says a cotemporary, commenting upon it, do its sentiments agree with the old principle of American liberty-freedom speech? What an easy way of siloncing political opponents who, like Mr. Etheridge, are troublesome on the stump, and whose arguments it is impos sible to answer! Put them in jail This is the kind of freedom the people which is unblushingly advocated by its

HOPEWELL IN LUCK .-- We are reliably informed that a well on the land of logheny River, at 7 miles above Emleuton, at the depth of 300 feet, is now flowing oil at the rate of 50 barrels por pumping commenced, when it immedi. out at its present depth, but there is every prospect of it being a most valua. ble well. The Hopewell Co., own a is situated, and from present indications it will prove one of the most valuable properties on the river. We congratu. late the company, and also Capt. Feetheir energetic superintendent-on their good fortune. We are sorry we do not own some stock in the Hopewell.-Clarion Democrat.

COMMITTEE MEETING.

AT a meeting of the Democratic County Committee held in Ridgway, on Friday 28th ult., pursuant to notice given by the Chairman, the following business was enacted.

The election of delegates to the County Convention shall be held on Saturday the 12th day of August next, at the following places.

For Highland township, at the house of Levi Ellithorpe.

For Jones township, at school house near John Weidert's. For Spring Creek township, at the

house of George Messenger. For Ridgway township, at the

Court House. For Fox township, at the Grave yard

School house.

For St. Mary's Boro, at the house of gnatus Garner

For Jay township, at the school houre near Michael Spangler's.

For Benezett township at the house Thomas Overturf.

These elections will be presided over by the vigilance Committees of the respective townships.

The County Convention will be held at Ridgway, on Thursday the 17th day of August next.

It is recommended that the Demoeratic Senatorial Conference meet at Ridgway, on Tuesday the 5th day of September next.

John G. Hall Esq., was appointed Representative delegate to the State Convention.

> GEO. DICKINSON, Chairman,

It being the duty of the Vigilance Committees, to hold or preside over the elections for delegates to the County Convention, in their respective districts, we publish below the names of the members of the different committees as they were appointed by the County Commitdog fight in Mount Carbon on Sunday tee last fall. It will be seen that each committee consists of the member of the County Committee from his district and two associates.

Benezett-Julius Jones, C. Wain-

Benzinger-Charles Ritter, William Gross, Adam Jesbarger.

Fox-R. T. Kyler, J. C. M'Allister, James A. Malone.

Highland-Chas, Stubbs, Thomas Campbell. W. J. Stubbs.

Jay-V. S. Brockway, C. Clinton, Francis Spangler. Jones-H. Warner, Fred. Wilmarth,

F. Wonk. Spring Creek-G. D. Messenger, N Lownsberry, J. Eliott.

St. Mary's-W. James Blakely, Geo. Weis, Louis Volmer. Ridgway-Geo. Dickinson, Chapin, Jno. G. Hall.

Announcements.

STATE LEGISLATURE.

We are authorized to announce the name of Dr. C. R. Early, of Fox township, as a candidate for Assembly, sub. ject to the action of the Democratic party, at the ensuing primary meeting, and also to the decision of the District Convention.

SHERIFF.

TO THE DEMOCRATS OF ELK COUNTY: Fellow Citizens :- At the solicitation of many citizens, I hereby offer myself o your consideration as a candidate for the office of Sheriff, at the coming October election, subject to your decision at the approaching county Conven-

P. W. BARRETT.

Waare authorized to announce the name of J. C. Chapin, of Ridgway township, as a can-didate for the office of County Treasurer, y Convention.

We are authorized to announce the name of Newton Louisbery, of Spring Creektown. ship, as a candidate for the office of County Treasurer, subject of the action of the Dem peratic county Convention.

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Kersey August 1st 1965.

Dissolution.-Notice is hereby given that the limited partnership, heretofore existing between Theodore Palen of Wilcox, Elk county, Pennsylvania, and James Clark of Plainfield of the State of New Jersey, for the manufacture of leather at Wilcox Elk county Pa. said partnership being formed under the Act of Assembly of the 21st March 1836, entitled "An Act relative to limis ted partnerships" and its supplements will be dissolved, fully and finally on Monday the 21st day of August A. D. 1865; the said partnership then ceasing and determining by the mutual consent of the parties.

THEO. PALEN JAMES CLARK. Wilcox July 19th 1865.

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