

HISTORY OF ELK COUNTY.

By A Northwestern Pennsylvanian.

COMMUNISM.

Probably no section of Pennsylvania has been the theatre of experiments of the doctrines of Fourierism or Communism, more than in Elk, M. Kean and Potter counties.

During the decade from 1825 to 1835, a passion seemed to prevail very extensively in favor of Communism.

The more important and practical results of this theory were overlooked. They did not seem to think much less to realize, how easily the cord that bound the sticks could be severed.

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As within the tropics, the skillful navigator, sailing smoothly under a clear sky, discovers in the distant horizon a small cloud, no bigger than a marble.

Teutonia was a failure. The cord that bound these sticks together became loosened, or was suddenly cut, and the sev-

eral fragments dispersed among the people at large, because industrious and useful citizens.

The sudden advent and exit of this Community had its prototype, although under a different system, within half a mile of Teutonia.

Who does not remember Ole Bull, the prince of fiddlers. He had made a fortune by scraping out gold, and being a man of liberal ideas, conceived the idea of ameliorating the condition of his countrymen.

He had been made the victim of some land speculator, who had induced him to purchase a large tract in a dense wilderness, and of course heavily timbered.

This visit of Ole Bull to his colony was chronicled in the papers, and amusingly so to those who were fully informed of the facts.

One other scheme was about this time in progress, which merits attention, if not laudation. Had it been simply a Yankee enterprise, it would scarcely have been remembered to this day.

So much however is known, that he was not only to relieve that government from further tax on their account, but he also agreed with these people that they were to work for him a certain number of years.

Permission was readily granted to their little party themselves out—and as they were an industrious set of people, and becoming versed in our language, their services were in great demand.

This little affair simply shows that under due form of government, such large fields for enterprise, and such a demand for labor, it is useless to attempt a serfdom, as it might be called, under any circumstances whatever.

may be termed a moral centripetal force, or the object of gain. There must be a religious sentiment, an early training, a faith in their teacher and guide, that overcomes and sets at naught all moral examples, save that of duty to their order and its requirements.

ELECTIONS OF 1864-1866. OFFICIAL.

In the following table will be found the total official vote cast for Governor on the 9th instant, with the exception of Pike county, the Democratic majority of which is reported at 724.

Table with columns: COUNTIES, Lincoln, Fremont, Grant, Hancock. Lists counties from Adams to York with corresponding vote counts.

MAJORITY FOR LINCOLN.....2075
TOTAL.....36691
FOR GEARY.....36691
FOR CLYMER.....28986

Congressional Election.

The following is a table of the official majorities for Congressman in this district at the recent election:

Table with columns: Counties, Sec. maj., Scott maj. Lists counties from Erie to Elk with majority counts.

FALL OF A GREAT MAN.—On the morning of the 10th inst., at 10 o'clock, the late Gen. James Green, United States Senator from Missouri, died at his residence in St. Louis.

Mr. Green was born in the town of New York, N. Y., in 1807. He was educated at the University of the City of New York, and at the Law School of the same city.

More than twenty men have been discharged from the Lochiel Iron Works, simply because they voted for Heister Clymer. This is contemptible business—a poor man has no right to an opinion—but must be the tool of others if he desires to earn his daily bread.

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FREDERICK SCHENING, Centerville, June 1st '65-ly.

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JAMES McCLOSKEY, Dealer in Groceries &c., would respectfully inform the citizens of Kersy and vicinity, that he has gone into the Grocery business, and will open on or about the middle of May.

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Each Article manufactured by this Company is guaranteed to perform all that is claimed for it.

LIBERAL DISCOUNT TO THE TRADE. KEROSENE LAMP HEATER CO., 206 PEARL STREET, N. Y. July 19th '66-ly.

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.—The partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned is this day dissolved by mutual consent.

W. P. WILLIAMS, H. O. McCONNELL, August 1st, '66-3c.

VALUABLE LOTS FOR SALE.—The undersigned has laid out a village upon his ground adjoining the Ridge way Depot, to be called ELK. The lots are 50 feet front by 100 feet deep—fronting towards the railroad.

Terms: For the first lot sold, \$100. For the second lot sold, \$110. For the third lot sold, \$120—and so on increasing in price as lots are sold.

First purchasers get the choice lot at the cheapest rates. Purchasers will be registered in the order of their application. Ten percent of the purchase money must be paid at the time of the application.

Applications will be made to John G. Hall, Esq., Ridgway, Pa. J. S. HYDE, Ridgway, mar. 29th '66-4f.

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Particular attention given to the shoeing of horses. All work is a fair trial. May 17th '66-ly.

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