

A penny, please, sir, to buy a loaf of bread, she said.

And good natured Ned, who never denied me a thing in his life, complied.

"Have you come?" she questioned anxiously as we entered; "give me the loaf!"

"A good lady and gentleman's come," she lisped, softly.

"I'm glad you come," she said, addressing Ned. "I'm going to see you."

"Where are the clothes she had on?" asked Ned and I eagerly in the same breath.

She looked into my face inquiringly; and then pointed to an old trunk.

And so she was. We had found her at last, our baby, our darling.

The New York Herald unites with the Washington Chronicle in calling upon Congress to reconstruct the Supreme Court, so as to secure more free and easy interpretations of the Constitution.

General Schofield, commanding the Department of Virginia, has issued an order requiring that all horses and mules which belong to the United States and are in the hands of private citizens within the limits of this department, whether lent to them by the military authorities after the close of the war, taken up astray, or otherwise acquired, shall be at once returned to the Government through the nearest officers of the army or Freedmen's Bureau.

About two years ago a San Francisco judge sentenced a young man to prison for having filed out a rebel privateer. After a few months' confinement he was released. A penniless adventurer, he discovered a quartz mine, which he succeeded in selling for several thousand dollars.

The jury in the case of Butler, the negro charged with stabbing Mr. Lebeck, in Hartford, cannot agree.

Correspondence of the Advocate.

Letter from Benzinger.

In the turmoil of war and politics it appears to have escaped the attention of the public, that religious instruction forms part of the regular exercise in many of our public schools.

Our early State Superintendents guarded carefully against the introduction of anything of a sectarian character into our public schools.

What our school authorities choose to call moral instruction has come to be a part of the system under the present improved management.

I would believe the whole thing was wrong if this was not the age of progress and "great moral ideas."

Moral and religious instruction too (for they are sometimes very different) may be without doubt well enough;—but there are ample opportunities for imparting both without forcing them into the public schools, which should simply impart a secular education, and nothing else.

Mr. Editor:—Your correspondent "N. W. Pa." in closing his sketch of the past history of our county, casts a look at its future, and predicts that it will soon number 20,000 inhabitants.

And, in the first place, we need not be afraid to settle here. The country is new and somewhat rough, it is true; but no where on earth do we find Paradise; and prosperity, comfort and happiness may be found in Elk county as well as elsewhere.

But what decent man would wish to make his home in Elk county, if the people only come here to make money, intending to go elsewhere and enjoy it; if each one, lives by himself and for himself, not much regarding man nor fearing God?

I say community, for though we have not all things common, we have some things—such as the public roads, the public schools, and all public institutions, whether civil or religious.

Without insinuating, Mr. Editor, that you have been derelict in duty; at least, that you have not devoted to the paper as much care and labor as you could afford; you will pardon me for saying that I have felt somewhat disappointed in the Advocate as doubtless others have, and yourself also—since it came into your hands.

In the course of a trial for four-fold murder now proceeding in France a public prosecutor brought into the court the head of the murdered man, which had been buried thirteen years.

what they can to make the Advocate as useful as possible. Let it be a medium of communications with each other for all the people of the county; and help to unite them in promoting not only the public interests of the county, but those broader interests which pertain to the nation and to mankind.

With the beginning of another year may we not have a beginning of better things, both for the Editor and for the readers of the Advocate? that it may become a necessity in every family; and contribute much to make "the future of Elk county" all that the most sanguine could desire?

[REMARKS.—We are not astonished that any person should conclude that Elk county ought to afford a better paper than the Advocate has proved.—That is our own opinion, although we assert unhesitatingly that more original matter of real merit has been contributed to its columns during the nine months it has been under our control, than has graced the columns of any paper of the adjoining counties.

It is to be hoped that our County Superintendent, in his next report, will call things by their right names, and if school teachers turn their schools into prayer meetings for the young, let him say so, that people may know where we are drifting.

The Elk County Advocate.

JOHN G. HALL, EDITOR & PROPRIETOR. J. E. MOORE, PUBLISHER.

FRIDAY, JAN. 4th, 1867.

Triumph of Right.

The late decision of the Supreme Court of the United States in the case of Milligan of Indiana, one of three citizens of that State who were condemned to death by a Military Commission for some alleged offense during the war,—and afterwards pardoned by the President—is full of hope to the country.

The Court was unanimous—the whole nine Judges asserting—in the solemn affirmation that "The Constitution is the Supreme law of the land, in war as well as in peace." If this be true, then it is very clear that the legion of acts committed by the Lincoln dynasty, under the plea of "military necessity," were nothing less than violations of the Constitution.

This decision also triumphantly vindicates the course of the Democratic press throughout the war. It was with an unanimous voice that it appealed to this in authority not to go beyond the Constitution; and for these appeals in behalf of that sacred instrument many editors became the victims of these outrages. Let them have restitution to the uttermost farthing; but let the whole country remember that the Democracy were then right, as they always have been in every trying emergency.

And above all, let every good citizen bear in mind, that the highest Judicial Department of the Government—has solemnly declared what is, and what is not, the law, and that resistance to, or disregard of, that law, is rebellion to the Constitution.

We need not refer back to the history of past ages to find instances where legislative usurpation takes the place of justice. A few weeks since we were told in the papers that an application had been made before Judge Trukey, for the release of C. V. Culver, M. C., from custody, on the ground that he, as a member of Congress, was entitled to freedom from arrest. The application was very properly refused. But a few days elapse when an order from the Rump is given to the sergeant-at-arms, of that body to produce the person of the Honorable C. V. Culver, and that

functionary comes to Pennsylvania, in defiance of right, justice and law, and takes Culver to Washington, where, as the telegraphic report informs us, he is "cordially received among his brother members, they believing in his honesty and integrity." To say the least of it this is cool, even in this cold weather.

But what we do want to know is, by what right does that body take a criminal from one of our county jails in defiance of a refusal to release him by one of our State Judges? We want to know if the great Commonwealth of Pennsylvania is not fully competent to take care of her own criminals without the interference of Federal legislation? We pause for an answer.

New Advertisements.

LOST.—Strayed away on Thursday, 27th ult., a small black mule, both shoulders sore from collar galls. Any person returning him to the Alpine House, or leaving information, where the mule can be found, will be suitably rewarded.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A MEETING OF THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE DAGUESSONDA IMPROVEMENT COMPANY, will be held on the first Tuesday of February, 5th day, at the office of the company at No. 50, Trinity buildings, Broadway, New York, at 10 o'clock, A. M. for the purpose of choosing officers for the ensuing year, and the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting.

OFFICE OF THE OIL CREEK AND RIDGWAY RAILROAD COMPANY, Philadelphia, Dec. 31st, 1866. Notice to Stockholders.—The annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Oil Creek and Ridgway Railroad Company will be held on Monday the fourth day of January, 1867, at 1 o'clock P. M. at No. 238, South 3d street Philadelphia.

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THE WEEKLY AGE will be a complete compendium of the news of the week, and besides the leading editorials from the Daily, will contain a large amount of interesting matter, prepared expressly for the weekly issue. It will be in all respects a first class family journal, particularly adapted to the politician, the Farmer, the Merchant, the Mechanic, the Family Circle, and the General Reader, having every characteristic of a live newspaper! Each number will contain an intensely interesting serial, by one of the most popular and fascinating authors, and it is also the intention to publish, from week to week, in the course of a year, three or four of the best and latest novels.

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LICENSED AUCTIONEER. NOTICE is hereby given that I have taken out a license as auctioneer, and will attend promptly to the calling of all sales entrusted to my care.

ORPHAN'S COURT SALE OF Valuable Real Estate!! BY VIRTUE OF AN ORDER OF THE ORPHAN'S COURT OF ELK CO., the undersigned administrator and administratrix of A. S. Rhines, of the township of Warsaw, County of Jefferson, deceased, will offer for sale on Tuesday, The 8th Day of January, 1867, at 1 o'clock, P. M., of said day, the undivided one-half of the following described piece or parcel of land situate in Spring Creek township, Elk county, Pennsylvania, described, to wit:

Beginning at a flat rock on Clarion River, thence down said river south eighty-one degrees west thirty-six perches to a rock; north seventy seven degrees west fifteen perches to a flat rock north fifty seven and a half degrees west, sixty six perches, north fifty and a half degrees west fourteen perches, north twelve and a quarter degrees west eight, ten perches and six tenths, north seventeen and three quarter degrees east twelve and sixty eight hundredths perches north seventeen and three quarter degrees east twelve and sixty eight hundredth perches; north twenty seven and three quarter degrees west twelve perches, thence by other lands south eighty one and a half degrees west one and two tenths perches, thence by lands of James Crow south ten and a half degrees west thirty eight perches south thirteen degrees east twenty perches, south fifty two degrees east, sixteen perches to a brick south one hundred and seventy six hundredths perches to a hemlock, thence by lands of Wilhelmu, Willink & Co., No. 2954, east one hundred and twenty eight and thirty six hundredth perches to a hemlock, thence by land of John Nicholson No. 4044 north fifteen degrees west ninety perches to the beginning, containing Sixty Four acres One Hundred and Forty Three perches and allowance.

ALSO—The undivided one half of the following described piece or parcel of land situate in Spring Creek township, Elk county, Pennsylvania, to wit: On the south by warrant No. 2962, on the east by warrant No. 4044 and a tract of land warranted in the name of Smith Dow and Brown, on the north partly by warrant No. 4044, and partly by land unknown, and on the west by land unknown, which said tract is known, numbered and marked as warrant number Two Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty Four (2954), warranted in the name of Wilhelmu Willink & Co., containing nine hundred acres and allowance.

Said lands are well covered with HEMLOCK and some PINE timber. Terms of sale—CASH. CAROLINE RHINES, Adm'r. R. S. HUNT, Administrator. Dec. 24th, 1866.

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NOTICE. IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS of Elk County, No. 15, January 7, 1867. In the matter of "Petition of R. F. Ely for a commission de l'haucourt de, in behalf of Lucretia Warner, of Ridgway, Elk county, Pa., widow of Zebulon Warner, deceased."

To the friends or relatives of the said Lucretia Warner: Notice is hereby given in pursuance of an order of said Court, that a Jury will be empanelled from the Jurors attending the next Court of Common Pleas the 24th Monday of January, 1867, at the Court House in Ridgway, at 2 o'clock P. M. of said day, and that the qualification will be held by one of the Judges of said Court to wit: as to the lunacy of the said Lucretia Warner. SOUTHER & WILLIS, Att'ys for Pet'r dec20tc

LICENSE NOTICE.—The following named persons have filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court of Quarter Sessions Elk county, their petitions for License at the January Sessions next, agreeable to the Act of Assembly of March 18th, 1856, entitled "An Act to regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors."

DAVID THAYER, Ridgway. JOHN HEALY, Ridgway. Mrs. E. O. Clements, Ridgway. H. B. Shons & H. Laray, Centreville. Anos Wheeler, Centreville. Joseph Windfelder, St. Mary's. Charles H. Volk, St. Mary's. A. Forthman, St. Mary's. D. C. Oyster, Fox township. Joseph Koch, Centreville. Herman Kretz, St. Mary's. J. F. Martin, Fox township.

STORE LICENSES. Frederick Rudolph, St. Mary's. Joseph Wilhelm, St. Mary's. Coyne & McVean, St. Mary's. James MacCluskey, Centreville. Edward Fletcher, Benzenette. B. E. Morey, Benzenette. GEO A BATHBUN, Pruthonary dec 20, 1866.



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NOTICE WHEREAS, MY WIFE TERRISSA WILDFIRE has left my bed and board without just cause or provocation, all persons are hereby cautioned against harboring or trusting her on my account as I will pay no debts of her contracting. ANT. ONLY WILDFIRE. Dec. 12th 1866. 3t

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION on the Estate of Eddy Hyatt, late of Fox township, Elk county, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned, therefore all persons having claims against, or are in any way indebted to said estate are requested to call and settle their accounts. J. N. HYATT, Adm'r. ORPHA HYATT, Ad'x. dec13 Gtpd.

FOR CHRISTMAS AND THE NEW YEAR.—We have laid in a large assortment of R. Catholic Prayer Books, (both English and German,) some of which will be found of the finest quality. Family Bibles, Testaments, Books of devotion, Resurrection, etc., etc., Scapulars, Crucifixes, etc., and all these articles usually found in a Catholic book store. Call and examine at the BOOK STORE, ST. MARY'S.