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'A penny, please, sir, to buy a loaf granny, she's sick.'

d took a silver piece from his pick-But I caught his arm before he had upped it into the little, waiting hand. acthing in the soft blue eyes, looking to pleadingly in the winter starlight,

thed my heart to its immost core. arord to clasp the little, shivering orm to my breast to stroke back the tangled golden hair from the pallid, want-pinched face.

"Take her up, Ned," I entreated : " she'll freeze it we leave her here. We can put her out wherever she lives."

And good natured Ned, who never denied me a thing in his life, consilied. Down dark and unfrequented streets in to one of the lowest haunts of vice and poverty : then she guided us up a long llight of stairs into a cheeriess attic. An old woman lay upon a heap of straw, her face wearing that cold, gravish hue which is the unmistakable precursor of death.

"Have you some?" she questioned orgeriy as we entered ; gi' me the loat !" The child ran to her side, and began to stroke her gray hair.

"A good lady and gentlemau's come." she lisped, soltly.

"I'm glad yer come," she said, ad dressing Ned "Tm goid' you see ; and some one oughter look arter her," point. ing to the child. She's a good little thing ; I've had her wi' me six years come next winter. She ain't mine, though. I got her from a squad o' Iugin's when my old man run a flatboat down the Mississippi. They'd stole her from some one, and brung her by our cabin, and she was sich a putty lit. tle thing that the ole man an' me struck a trade for her. I allars kept her clothes. the ones she had on, in case her friends might know her, if they ever turned up. -but they didn't; an' now I'm goin. she'll be left to herself. You might look arter her, madam, couldn't ye

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

She looked into my face inquringly ; and then pointed to an old trunk. Ned broke it open. There they were in a faded heap ; the dainty embroilered slip, the tiny pinafort, and one crimson stocking. Its fellow lay in the bottom of my drawer in my far western home. "Oh, Ned !" I cried, "she is Little

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

### A eres Riems.

-The New York Herald unites with the Washington Cheonicle in calling choose their teachers. upon Congress to reconstruct the Sa. preme Court, so as to secure more free. and easy interpretations of the Constiuntion. What tremendous strides these converts from pro-slavery fluckeyism make, indeed ! Abolitionists of the old school cannot begin to keep up with them. But why stop with the Supreme Court ? Let us have all courts abolish ed, and then we can go ahead just as we Idease, and "devil take the hindmost." -Springfield Republican.

Department of Virginia, has issued an order requiring that all horses and males which belong to the United States and are in the hands of private citizens with. in the limits of this department, whether lent to them by the military authori. ties 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. The order has created quits a commotion among the farmers of the valley. -About two years ago a San Fran. prison for having fitted out a rebel pri. vateer. After a few months' confine. ment he was released. A penniless ad. venturer, he discovered a quartz mine, which he succeeded in selling for sever. your historian. al thousand dollars. With the money obtained he bought into another mine, and sold his interest a few weeks since for \$75,000, the judge who had com. mitted him to jail as a robel privateer being one of the purchasers. -A dispatch from Nashville, speaking of the Congressional excursionists, cays : "Not the least insignificant of the incidents connected with the congressional banquet was - the fact of its being overwhelmingly attended by leading rebel citizens. The rebel Generals L. S. Cheatham and Maury, and ex-Governor Brown, made brief speeches concerning a good feeling and love for the reconstructed Union." negro charged with stabbing Mr. Lenck, in Hartford, enunot agree. The negro confessed the deed-but the family with whom he lived about six miles from Hariford, testify he was at home the mhole night.

Correspondence of the Dobocate-Letter from Benzinger.

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

Our carly State Superintendents guarded carefully against the indroduction of anything of a sectarian character into our public schools. But more recent. ly what ourschool authorities choose to call moral instruction has come to be a part of the system under the present improved management. We accordingly the County Superintendent of Elk have

county, stating in his annual report that the moral instruction imparted in the schools of our county, consists in reading the Bible and making prayers. Now it reading the Bible is a proper exercise it should certainly be explained so that the children could understand the more difficult passages (and I at a told that it is done in some of the schools) and if explained it should be correctly done. for it would be very wrong to mislead youthful minds in a matter of such vast importance. To meet the requirements of the case I would suggest that applicants for situations as teachers should be carefully examined in regard to their orthodoxy, their knowledge of scripture, their capacity to explain them, and their ability in prayer, and that their certificates set forth their qualifications in a these reseprets for the guidance of sebucl directors.

I would believe the whole thing was and "great moral ideas." But some. times people progress backward, and here we are back in this matter to the point from which the last generation departed on the establishment of free --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 sny so, that poople may know where we are drifting.

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. If we must have moral instruction in our schools, let it be entirely free from the suspicion of sectarianism-but even then there are many who would prefer to instruct their chil. dren in morals themselves, or at least to ACER. Banxinger, Dec. 16th, 1866.

MR. Entron :--- 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 inhabitantswill export from 2,000 to 3,000 tons of coal, and 300 to 400 tons of lumber two or three more national murders. per day, and so " become one of the most interesting parts of the State."

If this estimate is correct, (and I am unable to show that it is not; ) then there are two or three thoughts suggested by the Supreme law of the land, in war as it which seem to me worth the atten- well as in peace." If this be true, then Subjects, Local News, Market Reports, ance. -General Schofield, commanding the of all who are new residents of Elk it is very clear that the legion of acts Stock Quotations, Religious Intelligence, Said lands are well covered with 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 we'l as elsewhere. There is somebody; why should not those now here stay and take their share of it ?-We might go further and fare a great deal worse. The greatest difficulties have already been overcome-why go a thousand miles west to begin a new settlement ? If all the inhabitants of Elk would consider themselves settled here, cisco judge sentenced a young man to they would naturally feel an interest in developing the resources of the county, and making it, in all respects a desiraproperly carried out in action, would go far towards realizing the predictions of

useful as possible. Let it be a medium 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 fer the Editor and for the readers of the Advocate? that it may become a necessity in every family ; and concribute much to make "the future of Elk county" all that the most sanguine could desire? CIVIS.

[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. Yet it can be improved, and it ought to be im. proved. - The paper should be enlarged. Before we can enlarge it we must get a new press. The purchase of a press involves an expenditure which the present circulation and business of the paper does not justify. If CIVIS and others will by their efforts, give us 300 new subscriptions, prepaid, we shall inwrong if this was not the age of progress vest the money at once in a new press, and thenceforth give to the public an increased amount of reading matter. If the paper is expected to be a public benefit, the public must support it .- ED]

> The Elk County Advocate. JOHN G. HALL, EDITOR & PROPRIETOR. J. F. MOORE, PUBLISHER.

## Triumph of Right.

THE late decision of the Supreme Court of the United States in the case of Milligan of Indiana, one of three estizens of that State who were condemned 1867 to death by a Military Commission for some alleged offense during the war .-and afterwards pardoned by the President-is fall of hope to the country. It not only vindicates the liberties guaran. teed to the citizens by the Constitution, but it entitles President Johnson to the enduring gratitude of his countrymen for his timely interposition to prevent The Court was unanimous-the whole

nine Judges asserting-in the solemn affirmation that "The Constitution is

what they can to make the Advacate as [functionary comes to Pennsylvania, in defiance of right, justice and law, and the telegraphic report informs us, he is to · 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. However we are not much surprised at

> the Rump for thus shielding Mr. Culver, and it reminds us of the saying about the devil being good to his own. But what we do want to know is, by what right does that body take a

eriminal 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 ? M We pause for an answer.

### Hem Adberlisements.

OST .- Strayed away on Thursday, 27th J 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 he found, will be suitably rewarded. St. Marys, Jan. 3, 1867.

MOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A MEETING OF THE STOCKHOLDers of the Daguscahonda Improvement Company, will be held on the first Tuesday of February, 5th day, at the office of the company at No. 50, Trinity buildings, Breadway, 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.

JOHN S. GRIFFITH.

Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE OIL CLEEK AND REDGWAY RAILROAD COMPANY. Philadelphia, Dec. S1st, 1866. Notice to Stockholders .- The annual meeting of the Steekholders of the Oil Creek and Ridgway Railroad Company will be held on Monday the fourteenth day of January, 1867, at 1 o'clock P. M. at No. 238, South 3d street Philadelphia.

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1807, at 1 o'clock, P. M., of said day, the undivided one-half of the tollowing 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 filteen perches to a fliat reck 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. cen perches and six tenths, north seventeen and three quarter degrees east twelve and sixty eight hundredths per. ches north seventeen and three quarter degrees cast 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 de-

grees 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 Wilhelm. Willink & Co., No. 2954 cast one hundred and twenty eight and thirsy 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

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NOTICE.

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In the matter of "Petition of B F. Ely for a commission of de luna statistica da, in behalf of Lucretia Warner, of Ublanky, Elk county, Pa., widow of Zelation Wiener, decensed.

To the friends or relatives of the ga d Lucretia Warner ;

Notice is hereby given in pursuance of an order of said Court, that a Jury wail be empanelled from the Jurers attends withe next Court of Common Pleas the 24 Monday of January, 1567, at the Court H use in Ridgway, at 2 o'clock P. M of early ray, and that the inquisition will be hold by one of the Judges of said Court to inquire at to the lunacy of the said Lucretia Warner,

SOUTHER & WILLIS. dec20te Att'ys for Pet'r

ICENSE NOTICE .- The following name d ed 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 Bigi, 1856, Intitled "An Act to regulate the sale of Intoxicating liquors."

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FRIDAY, JAN. 4th, 1867.

" contal" has been recommended by the B and of Trade of Albany, N. Y., for + inption on and after the first of March and the

-In the course of a trial for four-4 1d murder now proceeding in France " · public prosecutor brought into the -t the hoad of the murdered man, (oh had been buried thirteen years. bered among your readers) should do the Honorable C. V. Culver, and that

But what decent man would wish to people only come here to make money, intending to go elsewhere and enjoy it if each one, lives by himself and for nity is needed in order to make our little county " one of the most interesting parts of the State."

I say community, for though we some things-such as the public roads, the public schools, and all public institutions, whether civil or religious. In regard to all these things there should te what we may call a *public spirit* — Every citizen should endeavor to do all in his power to have good roads, good schools, good officers, good churches, and good religious instruction, to have -The jury in the case of Butler, the thrift, intelligence, morality and piety provail throughout the county. And for the furtherauce of these ends we want a good county paper-one that for the interests of Eik county, whether material or spiritual shall be an efficient Advocate.

Without insinuating, Mr. Editor, that on have been derelict in duty ; at least, -The system of selling grain by the that you have not devoted to the paper as much care and labor as you could af. ford; you will pardon me for saying that I have felt somewhat disappointed in the Aavocate as doubtless others have, and yourself also-since it came into paper; and that all the people of the

committed by the Lincoln dynasty, undor the plen of "military necessity," were nothing less than violations of the Constitution. Among those acts were thousands of confiscations, imprisonments cultural Information, Art. Music, etc., and banishments, and not a few murders, wealth in these hills and forests for The imprisoned, and banished, and con fiscated may have hopes of redress But what of the murderal? Their by the Atlantic Cable; and the news mangled bodies can not be restored to life There is no restitution for them. What then ? Shall the violated law be vindicated, and its vengeance visited upon their murderers ? The thought is fearful, and we ardently hope that a merciful Heaven will point out some ble place of residence. This feeling, if other means of propitiating its effended majesty.

This decision also triumphantly vindicates the course of the Democratic make his home in Elk county, if the press throughout the war. It was with an unanimous voice that it appealed to these in authority not to go beyond the himself, not much regarding man nor Constitution; and for these appeals in by one of the most popular and faceinafeating God ? An intelligent commu- behalf of that sacred instrument many ting authors, and it is also the intention editors became the victims of these out- to publish, from week to week, in the rages. Let them have restitution to the uttermost farthing; but let the have not all things common, we have 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 M the Constitution.

> Dep"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 Trurkey, 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 your hands. And I say this for the was very properly refused. But a few sake of adding that it is a matter of days elapse when an order from the common interest to have a good county Rump is given to the sergeant at arms. county (who are supposed to be num. of that body to produce the person of

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NOTICE IS HERE BY GIVEN OAT LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION on the Estate of Eddy Livalt, 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'z. dee13 Gtpd.

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