

THE VILLAGE RECORD.

WATERBURY, FRIDAY, JAN. 10, 1863.

Pennsylvania Legislature.—Both branches of the Pennsylvania Legislature met and organized at Harrisburg on Tuesday.

The harbor of Charleston has been heretofore sealed, and her citizens are kept in a state of fearful suspense, hourly fearing that a vigilant army, near at hand, or secret foes in their very midst, may overwhelm them in irretrievable ruin.

A Sad Mistake.—What were supposed to be the remains of the son of Capt. Jewitt, of Vienna, Iowa, were carefully sent home for burial.

A Ward to the Fair.—The ladies of Pennsylvania, says the Press, beautiful and accomplished, are eminently ornamental—the light, grace, and charm of society.

The War in South Carolina.—The most important recent event was the advance made by a portion of General Sherman's division, under command of Brig. General Stevens, and several Union gunboats, against a rebel battery on New Year's Day.

Gen. W. H. Keim has been appointed a Brigadier-General by President Lincoln. Gen. K. has therefore resigned his office as Surveyor General of this State.

A Female Spy on Horseback.—The Washington correspondent of the N. York Post relates the following incident: A horseman clad in a sort of cavalry costume, with a heavy overcoat and slouched hat, had been noticed for some time dashing about the city in rather a suspicious manner.

The rebels, no doubt expecting an attack on Charleston, have removed Col. Corcoran and a number of Federal prisoners from the Charleston jail to Columbia, the capital of the Palmetto State.

An editorial article from the Richmond Examiner, admits that the rebel army is thoroughly demoralized. Sums as high as \$1,500 have been offered for subsidies.

An exchange comes to us with a notice that "Truth" is crowded-out of this issue. This is almost as bad as the up-country editor who said, "For the evil effects of intoxicating drink, see our inside."

Fire at the South.—We see by late rebel papers, (says the Press) that incendiary fires are becoming very common throughout the South, and that the people are very much alarmed. They fear that there is a great conspiracy in their midst to destroy by fire the whole of their property and effects.

Suffering of the Rebels.—Scouting parties who have recently scoured the neighborhood of Fairfax Court House report that the farmers have not killed their hogs, on account of the impossibility of procuring salt to cure their meat.

The Naval Wars with England.—At the commencement of the struggle of the United Colonies with Great Britain the former had no ships, but forty-two ships were fitted out during the war, and according to the best authorities, the American privateers roamed the sea in every direction, and captured during the war eight hundred and three British vessels, with merchandise valued at more than eleven millions of dollars.

The heavy contracts which the Government made some time ago with parties in this city and vicinity for the manufacture of bullets, are nearly filled, and we understand no more contracts for this instrument of warfare will be made by the Government.

Despatches received at the headquarters of General Halleck announce the capture of the notorious Jeff. Owens, Colonel Stone, and fifty of their bridge burning gang near Martinsburg, Adria County, Va. Schofield, commander of the State Militia, and the various guerrilla bands along the North-Missouri Railroad have been pretty thoroughly scattered.

LOCAL ITEMS.

For Constable.—See advertisement of Jos. Funk.

Home for Sale.—We direct attention to the advertisement of Mrs. Lydia Havu in another column.

Mean.—Taking advantage of a beggar's blindness, by shunning him, to save a ship. Such a man is as mean as a spunging northern Rebel.

Better late than Never.—PHIL. HAMMAN, of Chambersburg, the renowned stump speaker, is married. The happy bride is Mrs. Stokes, of that place.

Dead.—JOHN STROUFER, County Treasurer, died at Chambersburg, on Tuesday last. His term of office is about to expire.

Brooms.—Last week we unintentionally omitted the advertisement of Mr. DANIEL REED. This week we invite particular attention to it.

A Crumb for Cravers.—Notwithstanding all the blating about taxes and hard times it appears that there are less inmates now in the almshouses of the northern cities and fewer persons out of employment than has been the case for many years.

Thanks.—Our Carrier boy returns his thanks to his friends and patrons who so liberally patronized him on New-Year's day. To those who didn't patronize him, he makes his most polite bow, and hopes their consciences have not troubled them since.

First Snow.—On Sunday night last we had a fall of snow in this region, the first of the season, worth mentioning, which covered the ground to the depth of four or five inches. Sleighting has since been tolerable, and the young folks, as a matter of course, have put in a full measure of enjoyment. Our town has been vocal with the music of sleigh bells.

Rye Coffee.—Since coffee has got so high up in the figures, many persons in this place and through the country have commenced the use of rye as a substitute. We are told that if a little coffee is mixed with the rye the coffee is more pleasant to the taste than when made of all coffee, and is no doubt more wholesome. The cost of the article when thus prepared is not over three cents per pound. In a large family the difference would certainly be an item. In a short time it will no doubt be in very general use.

Sudden Death.—MR. SAMUEL GORDON, an aged citizen of this place, died suddenly on Tuesday morning last. He was in the 77th year of his age, but was unusually healthy and vigorous for a man of his advanced years. We understand he retired in the evening in the possession of his usual health. Between four and five o'clock in the morning Mrs. Gordon was aroused by a sudden movement of the deceased. She had only time to rise and light a candle when he expired. Yesterday his remains were consigned to their last resting place in the grave yard attached to the Lutheran Church.

Mr. Gordon was a soldier in the war of 1812, and we believe held a Captain's commission.

Who are the Poor?—As winter may now be said to have fairly set in it would be well to inquire—Who are the Poor? There may be for ought we know a family here and one there in necessitous circumstances, with perhaps not sufficient fuel or clothing to protect them against the cold blasts of winter. If there are such they are objects of charity no matter what their past lives may have been, and should not be permitted to suffer by those around them who have been blessed with an abundance of this world's treasure. The bestowal of a load of wood, a quantity of flour, meat, sugar, coffee, or other articles of merchandise, would make glad the hearts of many a widowed mother and orphan child; but too few, we fear of this favored class, ever as much as make the inquiry—Who are the Poor?—or give their wants a thought.

Reader, as you sit by your comfortable fireside, ponder this inquiry, and if for once in your life you should feel charitable disposed, we trust it may discover to you an object worthy of a liberal donation.

Death of a Private.—JACOB ROYER, a private of Company A, 77th Regiment, P. V., died at Camp Wood, Ky., on Saturday last. Young Royer enlisted with Lieut. WALKER last fall, was about 20 years of age, and son of Mr. SAMUEL ROYER, who resides on the Mountain, not far from Sallsville. His remains reached this place late on Wednesday evening and were taken on to the residence of his parents. We have not learned the nature of the disease of which he died. The deceased is said to have been a fine young man and a brave soldier. We sympathize with the bereaved parents.

A Thaw.—The weather moderated on Wednesday evening, and continues mild up to this time, Thursday noon. The snow is rapidly disappearing.

Promotion.—We notice that First Lieut. DAVID H. BROTHERTON, a native of this place, and son of Dr. James Brotherton, has been promoted to the rank of Captain in the regular army service. Capt. B. is a gallant young officer and no doubt eminently deserving of this last honor conferred upon him. He is now on duty in New Mexico.

It also affords us pleasure to state that our young friend and former citizen, D. S. GORDON, has been promoted from the rank of Second to that of First Lieutenant in the regular service. It will be remembered that he performed a gallant part in several skirmishes in a and near Fairfax Court House last spring, but was taken prisoner at the battle of Bull Run. He was taken with other officers from Richmond to Castle Pinckney, South Carolina, where at last accounts he was still confined.

The wife of Lieut. Gordon, from Fort Leavenworth, with an interesting little boy, their son, is now on a visit to her brother-in-law, Dr. Sydnah Walker, at Fountain Dale, in Adams county.

A Veteran in the Service.—Our old friend Dr. DAVID TACHUDY, has paid us a visit since his company has been uniformed, and although a little over three score and ten years of age, looks as sprightly and exhibits as much vigor as a young man of twenty. His father served in the Revolution, and died at the extreme old age of 98 years. The Dr. is the youngest of 11 children, and bids fair to attain to a similar age. He was in the war of 1812, and is now ready to serve his country again on the field of battle. To do this, he left at home a young wife and two small children, and volunteered as a private in Capt. Welsh's company, so that it will be perceived that he has had some experience in the service, especially the infantry arm of it.—Hag. Herald.

He sleeps his last sleep.—It is our painful duty to record the death of Mr. WILLIAM SEIDERS, a native of this town. The sad event took place at Fortress Monroe, Va., on Friday morning last. He was a member of Company D, 11th Regiment Pennsylvania Cavalry, and went into the service under Captain (now Major) Stetzel, in this place. His disease was typhoid fever, terminating in pneumonia. His remains were brought here on yesterday, accompanied by his brother, (who went to minister at his bedside), and two of the messmates, Thomas C. King and Leonard Plar.—Chambersburg Dispatch.

A Valuable Gift.—The several German Reformed Congregations of Grindstone Hill, Marion, Fayetteville and Fundstown the whole known as the Grindstone Hill Charge, as an evidence of their high appreciation of the service of their Pastor, Rev. W. H. Deatrich, presented him, on New Year's Day, with a fine Horse, worth at least \$100. This is creditable to the donors, and must be gratifying to the recipient, evincing, as it does, though not in words yet equally as intelligible, an assurance that his "labor of love" is properly valued by his flock.—lb.

Sudden Death.—A man by the name of JAMES MCLAIN, died suddenly in Sabillasville, on Monday. Our informant states that the deceased was in the enjoyment of his usual health, and had walked from his dwelling to the store of Mr. Shaffer, where he fell. He was carried home and expired in a few moments.

INTERESTING FROM TENNESSEE.—The Philadelphia Inquirer says that a gentleman direct from Memphis, Tenn., arrived in that city on Saturday, which place he left about two weeks ago.

He says there are no defences below Columbus, that Memphis is unprotected, and that Columbus once passed, the Mississippi is free from obstruction by fortifications the entire distance from New Orleans. He says General Polk has forty-five thousand men at Columbus, is very strongly fortified, and confidently expects to repulse any Federal force that may be sent against them, either by land or water. The rebels at Memphis, however, are a fearful it will pay them a visit at an early day. There are still large numbers of Union men in Memphis, who are anxiously and prayerfully awaiting the advance of the Union army. Provisions are growing very scarce, and many articles have reached starvation prices. Coffee is one dollar per pound; tea four dollars; flour twelve dollars, and bacon thirty cents per pound. Gold is at a premium of fifty per cent., and rarely to be had at that. The common currency is Confederate treasury notes, payable six months after the establishment of the independence of the Southern Confederacy. He says the 'idea prevails among the rebels that Gen. Buell and Halleck will move their forces simultaneously against Bowling Green and Columbus. He says the people of the South are growing very impatient, and must soon be involved in broils among themselves. Their condition is daily growing more distressing and intolerable.

AN ITCH FOR BUSINESS.—The Hartford Review says, a peddler from Connecticut lately traveled through Connecticut shaking hands heartily with every one he met, whether they purchased or refused his merchandise. Directly it was discovered that every one with whom he had shaken the friendly hand, he communicated the itch. Immediately after this discovery, another peddler his partner, came along with a good stock of sovereign itch ointment. It is perhaps needless to say that he has made large sales at a good percentage.

Down.—Our office wood pile.

LATER FROM PORT ROYAL.

Advance of the United States Troops on the Mainland—Rebel Batteries Captured. New York, January 6.—The steamer Vanderbilt has arrived, with Port Royal advices to the morning of the 3d instant. She brings 3,687 bales of sea island cotton. Gen. Stevens' brigade advanced on the mainland on the 1st inst., and took possession of the rebel batteries, after a short resistance, in which the troops were aided by the gunboats in shelling them. Gen. Stevens followed up his success to within six miles of the Charleston Railroad. A flag of truce was received from the rebels requesting permission to bury their dead, and an hour was granted for the purpose, when they fell back on their fortifications, which are said to be very extensive, and defended by from 11,000 to 13,000 men, under Gen. Pope. Their loss is unknown. Our force was 4,600 men, and we had only eight men wounded, including Major Watson, of the Eight Michigan, mortally.

Gen. Stevens now holds possession of the mainland, and awaits reinforcements from the North to proceed.

From the Upper Potomac. Gen. Jackson retired from Hancock—Supposed design of an Attack on General Kelly's Command—False Rumors. FREDERICK, Jan. 7.—The latest advices from Hancock are, that last night Gen. Jackson retired, leaving only a battery and infantry guard in sight. The results of the shelling have been unimportant. One rebel officer was seen to fall from his horse and is believed to have been killed. None are reported killed or wounded on our side, notwithstanding the extravagant rumors circulating here about our men having been cut up, etc., all of which rumors are false.

Jackson's rebel force consisted of ten regiments, with a large baggage and supply train, and ten days' cooked rations.—It is not known where he went, but it is surmised that he intends to attack Gen. Kelly's command. Gen. Bank's Third brigade left here yesterday morning and arrived at Hagerstown, twenty-six miles distant, at 5 o'clock yesterday evening.—No stragglers were left along the route.—This march was performed through three or four inches of snow. They would probably reach Hancock by noon to-day. Gen. Lander has been assigned to the command of General Kelly's division, and Gen. Williams takes command at Hancock.

Execution of Michael Lananah. Private Michael Lananah, of Company A, Second Regiment, U. S. Infantry, was executed to-day, having been found guilty of killing Sergeant Bremen by shooting him. The general-in-chief, in the order approving the finding of the court-martial, says "the proof is clear that he did this in satisfaction of the grudge he bore toward the deceased, not only for the blow he had given him in the guard-house a few minutes before, but for old scores, which he mentioned in his statement to court. It is very reprehensible for a commissioned or non-commissioned officer to strike a soldier, except when it is absolutely necessary to repress disorder. It is never allowed as a punishment for an offence.—But for a soldier, because of being struck, to shoot his immediate superior, is at war with every principle of military subordination. It was in evidence that it was not customary for sentinels at Georgetown to have their arms loaded. The prisoner must have loaded his musket for the purpose of carrying out his vindictive design against the sergeant. The homicide in this case seems to lack none of the features which distinguish murder from simple manslaughter. For these reasons the sentence was approved, and the provost marshal was charged with the execution of the order."

The gallows was erected in the northern suburbs, and the convict was hung in the presence of detachments from five regiments of the regular infantry. The execution was attended by the regulars of the Second, Third, Fifth, Sixth, Eighth, Ninth and Tenth infantry. At twenty five minutes to twelve o'clock the drop was pulled, and the prisoner was launched into eternity. General Sykes and Porter was present at the execution. The only words uttered by the prisoner were, "Good bye, old soldiers—good bye."

His death was almost instantaneous.—His body was cut down at forty-one minutes of 12 o'clock. The dying words of the prisoner were uttered in a strong and clear voice.

A Fight in Western Virginia. CINCINNATI, Jan. 6.—A special despatch to the Gazette, from Huttonville, Western Virginia, stating that the expedition, consisting of 400 of the Twenty-fifth Ohio, 300 of the Second Virginia, and 40 of Bradshaw's Cavalry, sent out by Gen. Mulroy to attack Huntersville, was completely successful. They attacked the enemy on Saturday morning, consisting of 400 cavalry and 350 militia, and after skirmishing an hour, the enemy retreated, with the loss of 8 killed and wounded. On our side none were killed or wounded; \$80,000 worth of army stores and clothing were captured and destroyed.

Utah Applying for Admission into the Union. GREAT SALT LAKE, UTAH, Jan. 6.—At a mass meeting held in this city to-day, resolutions were passed relative to the admission of this Territory into the Union as a State. Delegations were elected from this county to meet delegates from other counties on the 20th inst., to draft and adopt a Constitution and form of State Government to be submitted to the people for their acceptance or rejection. Congress will be memorialized for the admission of Utah during the present session.

The surrender of Mason and Slidell is approved by all the foreign ministers in Washington, who now declare their conviction that the continental governments of Europe will not suffer England to hunt for pretexts to engage the United States in a war. We shall see how far this interference to frustrate England's rapacity will go in its alliance with this government.

Female Prison at Washington.

Three prisoners have been added to the charge of Lieut. Sheldon, at the female prison, formerly Mrs. Greenhow's house. Two of them are from Washington, and the other is Mrs. Baxley, from Baltimore, arrested whilst trying to make her way through our lines across the river, and not upon the Old Point boat, as the papers state. She is an unmitigated Rebel, and cheered for Jeff. Davis and the Southern Confederacy. A perambulatory gentleman of the organic musical persuasion happening to be in the vicinity of the prison (the highly excited female Rebel in a state of incarceration threw the said musical amateur the sum of two shillings, and requested him to strike up "Dixie;" but, under the application of a threatened bayonet charge from the grim sentinel who keeps watch and ward over the involuntary inmates, he retreated, not, however, without securing the price of his unearned services, and amid the execrations of the tuneless female. After a night's reflection her passion became mollified, and the next morning she was bathed in tears, and willing to accept the professed food which she had so persistently refused since her capture, two days before.

The other two ladies were taken before the Provost Marshal to-day, to obtain their statements, and it is stated that they will probably be released. It is probable, also, that Miss Poole will be released and sent to Richmond, via Fortress Monroe and Norfolk, the Government having nothing particular against her, except being a dangerous woman to be at large. She has conducted herself very quietly and properly since her arrest. As to Mrs. Greenhow, the physicians in attendance pronounce her a mono-maniac, and if confined much longer will become hopelessly crazy. It is already stated, and with much show of probability, that she will be removed further North—perhaps Fort Warren—in a few days.

POINT OF ROCKS, Jan. 3.—Six thousand Rebels attacked the Fifth Connecticut Regiment, near Hancock, yesterday, while protecting the Railroad. After a slight skirmish, our men retired to this side of the Potomac to await reinforcements. Meanwhile the Rebels destroyed the railroad and telegraph lines, breaking our communication with Cumberland. Gen. Lander is marching to the relief of the Fifth Regiment, with a sufficient force. The loss on either side is unknown, but is believed to be trifling.

The Rebels have been shelling our position at intervals all day. Our artillery has responded. The Rebel shells did no mischief.

Since the full beard has become Americanized the number of barber shops in Philadelphia has fallen away from two hundred down to eighty.

UPDEGRAFFS, Practical Hatters. Have just returned from the Eastern Cities with a full assortment of FINE GOODS, consisting of Hats, Caps, Ladies' Caps, Buffalo Robes, Horse Blankets, Sleigh Blankets, Gloves, Canes, Umbrellas, &c., all of which are now ready and selling at the LOWEST CASH rates at their HAT STORE, Opposite Washington House, Hagerstown, Md.

LADIES' FURS! LADIES' FURS! Of all the grades from Five to Forty Dollars set with Muffs, Coats, Fur Trimmings, &c., at UPDEGRAFFS' Hat Store, Opposite Washington House, Hagerstown, Md.

BUFFALO ROBES, Buffalo ROBES! A splendid lot of Extra and No. 2 ROBES, bought previous to the great advance, and will be sold at usual rates for cash, at UPDEGRAFFS' Hat Store, Opposite Washington House, Hagerstown, Md.

GLOVES! A good stock of Buck-skin, Sheep-skin, Fur, Wool, and Winter Dress GLOVES, at UPDEGRAFFS' Hat Store, Opposite Washington House, Hagerstown, Md.

HORSE COVERS! READY MADE, at the lowest cash rates, at UPDEGRAFFS' Hat Store, Opposite Washington House, Hagerstown, Md.

MARRIAGES.

On the 2nd inst., at the Lutheran Parsonage, by the Rev. J. F. Campbell, Mr. George W. Smith, and Miss Susan S. Eyer, all of Maryland.

At the same place, by the same, on the 7th inst., Mr. William H. Robison, and Miss Sarah Snowberger, all of this county.

In Greenastle, on the 1st inst., by the Rev. W. T. Beatty, Capt. Joseph B. Strickler, to Martha W. Prather, both of Greenastle.

On the 7th inst., by the Rev. H. W. Super, Mr. George Beaver, to Miss Amanda Hicks, both of the vicinity of Marsh Run.

On the 9th inst., by the same Mr. Geo. Zody, of Mount Hope, to Miss Isabella Haugh, of Quincy.

DEPARTURES.

On the 18th ult., John Craig, of Jesse, aged 34 years and 2 months. On the 11th ult., Robert, son of John and Anna Craig, aged 22 months. On the 29th ult., in Dry Run, of consumption, Mr. Thomas Wilson, in the 60th year of his age. At his residence near Clearspring Md., on the 27th ult., Henry Fery, Esq., aged 68 years, 4 months, and 16 days.

For Constable.

THE undersigned announces himself as a candidate for Constable of Washington Township. Having been defeated at the last election by only 18 votes, he has concluded to "pick his flint and try it again." Thankful to his friends for the flattering vote received at the last election, he hopes that they will extend the same support again. If successful, a general justice will be held at Fort Meigs, Jan 10. JOS. FUNK.

Broom Corn Wanted.

THE subscriber informs the public that he has provided himself with the necessary machinery for manufacturing Factory Brooms. Factors furnishing him with Broom Corn can have brooms made to order upon reasonable terms. Handles can also be furnished him by those who may have them. His Broom Corn can be seen at his residence or at this office. Jan 10 D. B. RESH.