

The Mariettian.



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Our usual variety is very much curtailed this week in consequence of a press of joy work and our being a (very unwilling) witness for five days at court.

It is announced, on the authority of Republican Senators, that if Senator White is not exchanged within a short time, and through the efforts of parties who have recently gone to Richmond for the purpose, his resignation will be at once handed in, and the writs will issue for a new election.

The following was handed to us some time since for publication, but by some means was mislaid until a day or two since:

U. S. CHRISTIAN COMMISSION OFFICE, 11 Bank Street, Phila, December 16, 1863.

Received of Miss Emma Rudisill for the United States Christian Commission, two boxes Hospital stores (for Richmond), the contribution of the Ladies' Patriotic Circle of Marietta, Pa.

G. H. STUART, C. C. C. Per J. J. FORES.

On Thursday evening next, there will be a meeting of the "Farmers and Gardeners' Society of East Donegal" in Temperance Hall. The exercises of the evening will consist in the reading of an Essay by a member and the discussion of the best varieties of Apples adapted to this locality, for productiveness and good quality of fruit and trees.

By a vote of 51 to 15, the Legislature of Maryland have recognized the overwhelming sentiment of the people of that State, and have declared their purpose to call a convention to amend the State Constitution so as to effect, as soon as practicable, the abolition of slavery.

The Paris papers publish advices from Egypt announcing the victory of the Emperor Theodore of Abyssinia over the population of Gojan. The Emperor is reported to have ordered the massacre of fifteen thousand prisoners, men, women and children.

The libel suit brought by Prison Keeper Gremer, against Pearsol & Geist occupied two days of court; a verdict was brought in on Friday morning, of not guilty, the costs to be divided between the parties.

On Monday last, Gideon Kauffman, residing at Groggsville, this county, committed suicide. The unfortunate man had been well to do in the world, but having entered into speculations which proved disastrous, appear to have neglected his reason.

Two women, twin sisters, about 52 years old, got lost in the storm of Thursday night week, near Utica, N. Y., and spent the night in the snow. The next day they were discovered, one of them dead and the other insensible.

The fuel question has been solved in Minnesota by the discovery of immense beds of peat near St. Paul. It is said to burn as well in a grate as coal, and can be furnished for from two to three dollars per cord.

The capital stock of the "First National Bank of Marietta" has been increased from sixty to one hundred thousand dollars. The old board of directors has been re-elected—officers and all.

The Court Journal says: "A grand scheme for beautifying Ireland comes into operation on the first of the year when vaccination is made compulsory, under heavy fine."

The Savannah is still ice-bound, notwithstanding the heavy and long continued rains during the fortnight of last week.

WASHINGTON ITEMS.—The Senate has amended the bill amending the enrollment act, by raising the rate of commutation from \$300 to \$400.

The bill, as it passed the Senate, now provides that a drafted man who pays the commutation is exempted until every other man in his district is drafted, whereupon his name is placed upon the enrollment list, and he is again liable to draft.

The House has passed unanimously the Senate bill authorizing the appointment for one year of a Second Assistant Secretary of War. The suggestion that one of the major or brigadier generals unemployed might be detailed for that duty, without extra expense, did not meet with favor.

The War Department has no information of any rebel raid in progress near this city. The story of General Stuart and a rebel force being at Leesburg is a huge canard.

The new National currency for twenty six National Banks has been received by the Controller of the Currency. One million four hundred and ninety-two thousand dollars have been paid out.

Prominent Unionists of Kentucky complain by letter, and loudly, to the Government here, that the jails of Kentucky are crammed with Alabama, Mississippi, and Georgia slaves; that the jailors of the different counties in that State advertise for their masters to come forward, pay charges, and take their property away, or the same will be sold "according to law," and that the proclamation of freedom to the slaves of rebels in arms in those three named States is utterly disregarded.

Captain W. W. White, provost marshal of the Eighteenth Pennsylvania district, at Williamsport, has been dismissed the service, and arrested and lodged in the Old Capitol Prison, for alleged frauds in the business of the office.

The Second Auditor of the Treasury, in compliance with the resolution of the House, has prepared and submitted a statement relative to the claim of Pennsylvania, to the sum of \$671,476, for the service of the ninety-day troops during the rebel invasion of that State, from which it appears that they were called out by proclamation of the Governor and discharged by him, having never been mustered into the service of the United States.

Charles A. Dana, Esq., formerly managing editor of the Tribune, will probably be appointed Assistant Secretary of War.

It is believed here in the best informed quarters that the rebels will refuse to give up Major White in exchange.

Major Brua Cameron, son of Hon. Simon Cameron, died a few days ago at Lochiel, his father's residence. He was stationed at Washington for some time as Paymaster in the United States Army, and but a few days before his death, was placed upon the retired list, owing to his increasing ill health. The funeral took place from the residence of his father, Hon. Simon Cameron, at "Lochiel," and was largely attended.

A young lady of sixteen summers lately arrived at Louisville, who had served eighteen months in the army, been connected with seven different regiments, participated in several engagements, been seriously wounded twice, and had been discovered and mustered out of service eight times.—She is a Canadian by birth, and is bound to fight for the American Union.

Somebody in Bangor, Me., has made an ice sofa and presented it to the Mayor. The Whig says it is formed of solid clear blue ice and is embellished with numerous fine pictures frozen in upon the back, and the arms of the sofa, and appearing as if they had grown beneath the surface of the transparent material.

The United States Government will commence the approaching Spring campaign with the largest and best appointed armies the world has ever seen in modern times. On the other hand, the rebels will have less effective armies and fewer men than ever before, and have lost several of their fine strategic points.

The ladies of Paris have adopted a fashion for the winter of wearing their dresses drawn up over colored jupons, light woollen materials of striped patterns, with a band of plaid or a narrow plaited flounce near the edge. They have thus given up the practice of sweeping streets.

At a meeting of the Plymouth Church (Brooklyn) Society last Sunday morning, it was resolved to present their rector, Rev. Henry Ward Beecher, with \$5000, as a mark of their appreciation of his patriotic services abroad. His annual salary is \$7500.

General News Items.

The number of National Banks authorized to January 7, is 187, with an aggregate capital of \$31,817,100.

The wife of Stephen A. Douglas is engaged as a clerk in the Treasury Department at Washington.

At Camp Douglas, near Chicago, eight soldiers on guard had their feet, ankles, and hands so badly frozen that they are incapacitated for duty for some time, many for all their lives.

A young soldier named Megahey, from Huntingdon county, who was sentenced to be shot on the 14th instant, for desertion, has been pardoned by the President.

Great numbers of contrabands desire to come into our lines at Chattanooga, but are forbidden lest they should draw too heavily on the army's short supply of bread and bacon.

George H. Stewart, Esq., chairman of the United States Christian Commission, acknowledges the receipt of eighty-three thousand four hundred dollars from ministers and churches, being the Thanksgiving contributions.

The Mormons have completed, at Salt Lake City, one of the finest theatres in the United States. But a few years ago Utah was almost an unknown wilderness; now it has a considerable population who can indulge not only in the comforts, but the luxuries of life. We truly have a great country.

Mrs. Sarah Waters died at Hoosick Falls, R. I., on the 4th instant, at the age of one hundred and one years. The husband of the deceased, who died twenty-four years ago, was a soldier in the Revolution, and his widow received a pension up to the time of her death.

Luther Calvin Saxton, the great Rochester confidence man, convicted of swindling Mr. Aristarchus Champion, of that city, to the amount of \$150,000, has been sentenced to the Auburn State Prison for the term of thirty years.

The Wheeling (West Virginia) Intelligencer understands from a gentleman residing in Barbour county that many of Bill Jackson's rebels are coming in and giving themselves up under the President's proclamation. Those who have not rendered themselves notorious as bushwhackers are simply placed under bonds for their good behavior.

Mr. Sumner gave notice in the Senate on Thursday last week that on the first appearance of Senator Bayard upon the floor he should insist upon the adoption of the resolution requiring Senators to take the test oath of loyalty prescribed by Congress last session.

John Drury, an insane pauper in the Franklin county poor house, committed suicide on Friday last, by cutting his throat with an old rusty knife.

A man residing in a town adjoining Utica, having a wife and three children, lately sold his wife to a disconsolate widower for a cow valued at \$30, the wife consenting to the arrangement.

Snow has fallen to the depth of forty feet in the Rocky Mountains, a larger amount than has been known for many years past.

It is estimated that there are between two and three thousand Quakers in the army.

On the 11th instant, the Arlington Estate, belonging to Gen. Lee, was sold as confiscated property. The estate contains about eleven hundred acres of land, and is situated directly opposite Washington. It is covered with forts and is used for military purposes generally. It was run up to \$26,700 by a capitalist from New York; but was finally struck off to the Government for \$26,800.

Camp Curtis at Harrisburg, has been abandoned as a military rendezvous, and an order has just been issued by the Governor, removing the camp to the western bank of the Susquehanna, in and around Fort Washington, and the order changes the name to that of "Camp Reynolds," in honor of the gallant General who was the first to fall in the defence of his native State, at Gettysburg.

The notorious Colonel Clarke, one of Morgan's officers, died at Johnson's Island, last week, of strangulation, caused by an ulcerated throat. He was at one time in the Ohio Penitentiary; but was taken into Cincinnati to be examined on a charge of breaking his parole, and from there transferred to Johnson's Island.

In 1862, gold sold at \$1.70 in Philadelphia, and throughout the North; while at the same time it commanded \$2.50 in Richmond. To-day it is selling here for about \$1.50, but brings \$2.00 in Richmond! The story of all our campaigns and diplomacy is neatly contained within these little facts.

The steamer Vanderbilt returned to New York on Sunday morning for repairs to her boilers. She made an unsuccessful chase after a blockade runner after leaving St. Thomas, but subsequently picked up fifty bales of cotton which had been thrown overboard from the escaped steamer.

A PENNSYLVANIAN SHOT.—A letter from Beaufort, S. C., dated January 6th, says:—"A sad sight has been witnessed to-day by all the military upon the Island, and seems to have had a marked and solemn effect. James Murphy, a private of the 55th Pennsylvania Volunteers, deserted his post while on picket, in November last, and crossing the river, delivered himself up to the rebels, as he supposed; but, unfortunately for him, instead of landing on the main, he had only gone to Ladies' Island, and the soldiers to whom he gave himself up were loyal men of the United States army. He was tried and sentenced by court martial to be shot. He was a fine-looking young man, and faced death with bravery, not to say bravado. As he rode through the streets with Chaplain Harris, preceded by his coffin and executioners, he seemed perfectly cool, and even careless. A stranger would have supposed it was the chaplain who was so soon to meet his fate. Before his death, he made a short speech, saying that he had made his peace with God, and exhorting his comrades to be true to the old flag. Then taking off his overcoat, he stepped forward from his coffin, and pointing to his heart fell, pierced by a dozen balls."

STEELED TO DEATH.—Two young ladies, Miss Hill and Miss Johnson, living at Broad Hill, a few miles from Cincinnati, on the little Miami Railroad, met death on Saturday night week, in the following strange manner:—"They were on a visit to a friend's house at Red Bank, a neighboring town, and being shown into the room where the fire was nearly extinguished, set to work before retiring, and closed the door tightly, to exclude the cold air as much as possible. They then stirred up the charcoal in the hearth, to get as much warmth as they could, and went to sleep. In the morning, the family with whom they were stopping were horribly surprised, upon visiting their room, to find them both dead, the fumes of the charcoal having stifled them in their sleep."

THE NEW DRAFT LAW.—The bill has passed the Senate, and it will probably pass the house in a day or two. It corrects some of the faults in the present law, and its object is to render its operation more efficient. The only persons specially exempted from the draft are the Vice President of the United States, the Judges of the United States Courts, the heads of the several Executive departments, and the Governors of the States, and by implication, such persons as are physically or mentally unfit for the service, according to the prescribed Army Regulations. All exemptions of the only son of a widow, father of motherless children, &c., are stricken out. The two classes for enrollment and draft are merged in one, which is made to include persons between the ages of twenty and forty five years.

The bed of Og was twenty-seven feet long and seven feet broad. The height of Goliath was eleven feet; his coat weighed one hundred and fifty and his spear nineteen pounds. The body of Orestes, son of Agamemnon, leader of the expedition against Troy, was eleven and a half feet high. Maximus, a native of Spain, the Roman Emperor, was eight and a half feet high; his wife's bracelets served for finger rings. Mons. Collie, the Belgian giant, is nearly eight feet high.

The stone from the signet ring of Marshal Rochambeau—a beautiful garnet—was picked up by one of the soldiers of McClellan's army, while digging trenches before Yorktown, together with a number of other old revolutionary relics. We understand it is now in possession of one of the prominent officials at Washington, who, by its restoration, has traced it to its origin, and who contemplates presenting it to the family of the distinguished marshal.

The Montreal skaters got a considerable scare this season. About a thousand persons were amusing themselves at Island wharf, when the ice gave way suddenly, and about thirty persons sank with the sinking flakes. Fortunately the wharf was beneath their feet, so that the water reached no higher than their waists, and they managed to scramble out a good deal frightened.

Major Brua Cameron, a son of Simon Cameron, has been placed upon the retired list, with the pay of an acting paymaster of the army, and he will therefore receive for life from a grateful country \$2,000 a year. Major Brua Cameron has been in the army just two years.—N. Y. Atlas.

I have a brother—a wee little chap—who sometimes says things we think very odd. One day, as he was disposing of some bread and milk, he turned around to his mother, and said, "Oh, mother, I'm full of glory! There was a sunbeam on my spoon, and I swallowed it!"

Two volumes of Napoleon III's "Life of Caesar" are ready, but they are, according to the Memorial Diplomatique, not to appear as yet, since his Majesty is going to revise them, for the sixth or seventh time, from documents furnished by a learned captain of the Genic corps.

EXECUTION OF A WOMAN.—The English papers contain an account of the execution of Alice Hewitt, at Chester, for the murder of her mother. She induced a neighbor to personate her mother, and, by this means, obtained an insurance upon her life. She then killed her mother by the administration of poison. Some three or four thousand persons were present at the execution. She fell upon her knees, and prayed that her infant child might be spared a similar fate, and that her death might be a warning to others. Executions of females in this country are of rare occurrence. Last year one was executed in Canada with her husband for murder. In Boston during the last century a woman was hung for theft.

A SKATING FEAT.—A young lady of Paterson, N. J., on Christmas morning, bought a pair of steel sandals on her feet, and embarking on the Morris canal, skated all the way to Newark, where she saluted a friend with "a merry Christmas to you," and took dinner.—Returning, she skated home again the same afternoon, thus making fully thirty miles in one day. This takes the shine out of anything we ever heard of in the skating line. What is more, the lady in question is neither tall nor stout, but a slender, almost fragile-looking little figure, of seventeen or eighteen summers. We will warrant, however, that she has as much spirit as can be found within the largest dimensions.

Kamehameha IV., the King of the Sandwich Islands, who has recently died, was born February 9, 1834. He was well educated by missionaries from this country, and traveled in Europe.—He was married, in 1836, to Miss Emma Rooker, daughter of an English physician. In 1859 the King attempted, in a fit of jealousy, to murder his secretary. He proposed then to abdicate, but was persuaded to retain his place. It is thought that during the last few years, he has been more under the influence of the English clergymen than formerly.—His brother succeeds to the throne, and it is announced that no change of policy will take place.

The Cincinnati Times, in referring to the recent cold snap at the West, says:—"The statue of Snay was frozen stiff on New Year's day. It is thought that it will have to be amputated. Barber poles, signs, and not unfrequently lamp posts were frozen off. The air is so cutting that in many cases it is used to cut up sausage meat. Physicians have advised citizens not to breathe it until the edge has been taken off. A benevolent gentleman, named Elwood, is busy day and night taking the edge off. He has had to engage an additional bar-tender, business is so brisk!"

Dr. Young, of Shultzville, Washington township, Pa., who was assistant surgeon to the board of enrollment, during the last examination of drafted men, died on Tuesday night, at his home, from the effects of inhaling too much ether. He had saturated a cloth with ether, and laid it on his forehead, to relieve him from a headache, and in that way went to sleep. It is supposed that during the night the cloth slipped over his nose and mouth, and thus caused the fatal effects of the ether.

A woman named Elizabeth Masi, who died at Florence in 1768, had been married to seven husbands, all of whom she outlived. She married the last of the seven at the age of seventy. When on her death-bed she recalled the good and bad points in each of her husbands, and having impartially weighed them in the balance, she singled out her fifth spouse as the favorite, and desired that her remains might be interred near his.

A young lady in Chardon, Wisconsin, has just received a large healing plaster for her broken heart, in the shape of a verdict of \$10,000 damages against the gay deceiver. It was proved that the "courtin'" began when she was "sweet seventeen;" that it continued regularly for fourteen years. He then went to New York and returned with a wife!

An old but highly destructive method of obtaining possession of ladies' purses without inserting the hand into the pocket has been revived in Glasgow. It consists of pouring a small quantity of vitriol into the pocket, which burns the lining, and the purse drops on the street, to be picked up immediately by the hand of the operator.

The express train on the Pennsylvania Railroad, due in Pittsburg on Sunday last, was thrown from the track by the breaking of an axle of the tender, four miles from Tyrone, and was precipitated into a creek. Nobody was killed, but several persons were wounded.

It is reported that Madame Schnell, a fortune-teller of Louisville, and her two children, were lost on the steamer Sunnyside. She had accumulated \$70,000 by the practice of her art, but failed to read her own fate.

Some people were hit on Thanksgiving day when a Chicago clergyman said: "Shoddy comes from the devil, and those who supply shoddy to our gallant soldiers, go to the devil!"

A HAPPY WOMAN.—What spectacle more pleasing does the world afford, than a happy woman contented to be a sphere, ready at all times to benefit her little world by her exertions, and transforming the briars and thorns of life into roses of Paradise by the magic of her touch? There are those who are thus happy because they cannot help it—no misfortunes dampen their sweet smiles, and they diffuse a cheerful glow around them as they pursue the even tenor of their way. They have the secret contentment, whose value is above the philosopher's stone: for without seeking the baser exchange of gold, which may buy some sorts of pleasure, they convert everything they touch into joy. What their condition is makes no difference. They may be rich or poor, high or low, admired or forsaken by the fickle world, but the sparkling fountain bubbles up in their hearts, and makes them radiant ly beautiful. They live in a log cabin, they make it shine with a lustre which kings and queens may covet; and they make wealth a fountain of blessings to the children of poverty. Happy women are the highest types of humanity and we cannot say how much we owe to them for the progress of the race.

THE BEST COAT.—A Scotch noble man, seeing an old gardener of his establishment with a very ragged coat, made some passing remark upon its condition. "It is a verger guid coat," said the honest old man. "I cannot agree with you there," said his lordship. "A verger's just a verger guid coat," persisted the old man; "it covers a contented spirit, and a body that owes no man anything, and that's mair than many a man can say of his coat."

HARRISBURG. On the 17th instant, by Rev. Walter Powell, ISRAEL HANLEN, of Marietta, to Miss SUE P. ALBRIGHT, of Lancaster.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

A WALKING SKELETON. Some years ago Dr. Scherck was a walking skeleton about the streets of Philadelphia, and finally was reduced so low that he was unable to move any longer, and was taken over to New Jersey to die. There he lay confined to his bed, and Dr. Thornton said his lungs were gone and he would not live a week. In that low state he heard of and obtained some Herbs and Root and made a medicine that soon made a change in his whole system. It expelled all the matter from the lungs, mucus from the stomach, started the liver, and in fact, expelled all the morbid matter from the system. His appetite began to improve, and it was with difficulty he could be prevented from eating too much. He took the most nourishing food, and in a short time, he began to improve rapidly. Now he is a great healthy man, weighing over 220 pounds. His Pulmonic Syrup, Sea Weed Tonic, and Mandrake Pills are a composition similar to the medicine that cured him. He is now travelling from one city to another, seeking patients and administering his medicines; and it is said he will take a person in the last stages of Consumption, and in a few weeks they are about in tolerable good health. His medicines change the whole system, and the patient soon begins to have a good appetite. As the food nourishes the system he finds that he is getting healthy. Nature overpowers his disease; and he gets well. The great feature of Dr. Scherck's medicines is they make new matter, new blood, and by keeping the digestive organs healthy, disease may be expelled. Read his advertisement in another column.

THE MYSTERIES OF THE TOLLER are often exposed in consequence of the inefficiency of (so called) beautifying preparations; but all who use CHRISTOPHER'S EXCELLENT Hair Dye know and feel that their secret is secure. No mortal eye can distinguish the black and brown produced by this dye from those imparted by the Creator. No destructive ingredient, nothing that can shrivel up or in any way injure the hair, mingles with the preservative vegetable elements of this wonderful dye.

Christopher's Hair Preservative, is invaluable with his Dye, as it imparts the utmost softness and the most beautiful gloss and great vitality to the hair. Manufactured by J. CHRISTOPHER, No. 6 Astor House, New-York. Sold everywhere, and applied by all Hair Dressers. Price \$1, \$1.50, and \$3 per box, according to size. [J-no.5.]

HOSIETTER'S BITTERS have received the warmest encomiums from the press and people throughout the Union, as a valuable tonic for the cure of Dyspepsia, Flatulence, Constipation, and general nervous debility, it cannot be approached. Every day new cases of its great effect are chronicled through our principal public journals. There is nothing equal to the enjoyment to that which the afflicted experience when using this valuable specific. Its mild tone, its sure and vigorous action upon a disordered stomach, and the cleansing of the entire human body should recommend it to all classes of our community. See advertisement. For sale by Druggists and dealers generally, everywhere. [J-1m]

DR. TOBIAS' Venetian Horse Liniment, pint bottles at 50c each, for lameness, cuts, galls, colic, sprains, &c., warranted cheaper than any other. It is used by all the great horsemen on Long Island courses. It will cure ring bone nor spavin, as there is no limitation in existence that will. What is it that cures it positively? does. No owner of horses will be without it after trying one bottle. One dose revives and often saves the life of an over-heated driven horse. For colic and belly ache it has never failed. Just as sure as the sun rises, just so sure is this valuable Liniment to be the horse embrocation of the day. Sold by all druggists. Office, 56 Courtlandt street, New-York. [J-1m]

Sabre cuts, gunshot wounds, and all other kinds of wounds, also sore, ulcers, and scurvy, heal safely and quickly under the soothing influence of Holloway's Ointment. It heals to the bone, so that the wound never opens again. Soldiers, supply yourselves.—Only 25 cents per pot. [233]