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Blairsville, April 4th, 1860.

Dr. Jacobus' Address.

Since the *Banner* put on her new dress, and is, in consequence, the more highly prized and widely sought, we assume she is likewise more *Argus-eyed*, and naturally is looking into every circle where anything of interest is transpiring. As she bends her penetrating glances toward our goodly city, and sees gathering crowds pressing into a large building upon the banks of the Ohio, and looking within beholds every inch of space occupied by an intelligent and appreciative auditory, the explanation is unfolded by a word—the popular and flourishing Female School, under the care of the Rev. Dr. Beatty and Prof. A. M. Reid, is closing its annual examination. The young ladies have passed the ordeal with honor to themselves and their laborious corps of teachers. The Senior Class is on the platform awaiting their Diplomas. Dr. Jacobus is present, according to previous announcement, to mark the occasion when his eldest daughter, was admitted to the final honors of the institution, by an address characterized in every feature by a striking originality, adaptation, beauty, and practical usefulness rarely combined in addresses of this sort. If you wish to treat your readers to a rich repast on this most important subject, urge the excellent Professor to report his remarks for your next issue. It is at once an exposition of the aims of our school in this city, and a homily full of nature, philosophy, sound common sense, and of a high, moral, and religious bearing.

The Professor had the satisfaction of announcing to his highly instructed and attentive audience, that every member of the graduating class is an avowed follower of Christ. This line speaks volumes. I cannot close without a pressing a fervent and heart-felt wish that such a record may soon be made of every Academy, Seminary, and College in our land.

A LOOKER-ON IN VENICE.

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Foreign News.

The steamship *Kangaroo* arrived at New York on the 6th inst. She brings Liverpool dates to the 21st ult. We give the following:

The annexation of Savoy to France is generally regarded as an accomplished fact. The London *Times* says the Emperor Napoleon must be permitted to carry off his prey. All the appointments of officials for Savoy had been completed in Paris.

A dispatch from Vienna announces that Austria will pronounce herself against a violation of the Swiss neutrality, guaranteed by treaty.

GREAT BRITAIN.

A proposition in favor of the ballot had been rejected by a large majority in both Houses of Parliament. The Reform Bill was being debated, but attracted but little interest.

The squadron to convey the Prince of Wales to Canada, will consist of the screw steamers *Hero*, ninety-one guns; the *Ariadne*, twenty-six guns; the *Flying Fish*, six guns; and the royal paddle yacht *Osborne*. The London *Times* strongly recommends that he visit the United States, and feels sure a visit to the President will be appreciated.

The Mediterranean Telegraph line will be completed in two months, when London will be in direct communication with Calcutta.

FRANCE.

According to the Paris correspondence of the London *Post*, the relations of France and England were not in a very satisfactory state. The camp at Chalons this year is to consist of sixty thousand men, under Marshal McMahon.

The Paris correspondence of the *Daily News* says it was reported that a French diplomatic manifesto would shortly appear, in which all designs upon the Rhine frontier will be expressly disclaimed.

The reports that French troops were under orders for Savoy were unfounded.

The provisions of the commercial treaty between England and France were in force, and the export of French goods to England had commenced on a large scale.

ITALY.

Signor Farini arrived at Turin on Sunday, the 18th ult., and was forthwith presented to the King. Signor Farini said: "I have the honor to place in the hands of your Majesty the legal documents containing the returns of the universal suffrage of the people of Amelia. May your Majesty deign to receive them with favor, as a token of gratitude and confidence." The King replied: "This manifestation of the national spirit will be universal, and so spontaneous that it confirms to Europe at different times, and under altered conditions, the vote already expressed by the National Assemblies of Amelia. This manifestation completes the proofs of the order, perseverance, patriotism, and wisdom by which those people have merited universal sympathy and esteem. I accept their solemn vote, and henceforth will be proud to call them my people. In uniting to my ancient powers not only the States of Modena and Parma, but also the Romagna, which has already separated itself from the Papal Government, I do not intend to fail in my deep devotedness to the chief. I am ready to defend the independence necessary to the supreme minister of religion—the Pope; to contribute to the splendor of his court, and to pay homage to his sovereignty. Our Parliament, in receiving the representative of Central Italy, will insure prosperity, liberty, and independence to the new kingdom."

The director of the people's public debt at Rome had gone to Brussels, to contract a loan of ten million francs.

The Paris *Constitutionnel* states that the Pope had addressed a monitory to King Victor Emmanuel intimating that henceforth all relations between him and the Royal Family must be considered as broken off. That his Majesty will understand that he has openly violated the laws of the Church, and is formally excommunicated. The Holy Father reserves to himself the duty of taking into his consideration the interests of the universal Church, and the good Catholics of Piedmont, before proceeding to severer measures, which, in any event, weigh from henceforth upon the person of the King.

The official *Gazette* published a royal decree, annexing the province of Amelia to Sardinia. Another decree convokes the electoral assemblies of the Amelian provinces for the 25th of March, and another decree appointed fifteen new Senators.

Nothing decisive had taken place relative to the annexation of Tuscany to Piedmont.

The Tuscan Assembly had dissolved.

The Paris *Patrie* states that fifty thousand men were about to be levied in Tuscany, and twenty-five thousand in the Amelian provinces, thereby increasing the Sardinian army to nearly three hundred thousand men.

It was asserted that Piedmont would contract a loan of fifteen million francs.

It was said at Vienna that the French troops at Rome would return to Civitia Vecchia, if the Popo excommunicated Victor Emmanuel. Another report is, that the Neapolitan troops will at once enter the Papal States of the Sardinians, and take possession of the Romagna.

The Municipal Council of Nice had voted against annexation to France, and sent a deputation to Turin on the subject.

AUSTRIA.

It is stated that the French Ambassador had informed the Austrian Government of the approaching evacuation of Lombardy by French troops, and in the name of his Government, expressed the wish that Austria would continue to observe non-intervention in the affairs of Central Italy. The *Austrian Note* says that since the interview at Villafranca, the Emperor has made too many sacrifices for the maintenance of peace, to be able to recommend a European war; but, although keeping a merely observant attitude, Austria must, nevertheless, draw the attention of France to the intrigues of the Sardinian agent in Venetia, and repeats, most distinctly, that the Emperor Francis Joseph, would not hesitate to make the greatest sacrifices in defence of his rights in Venetia.

SPAIN AND MOROCCO.

In the last engagement, before reported, the Spaniards had two hundred and fifty killed and wounded. The Moors numbered fifteen thousand, and the action lasted seven hours. In another severe fight on the 7th, the Spaniards were victorious. Tangiers was expected to be attacked in a few days. The whole Spanish fleet had left Gibraltar for Tetuan.

Later.

The royal mail steamship *Niagara* arrived at Halifax on the 7th inst. She brings Liverpool dates to the 24th ult., being three days later than those received by the *Kangaroo*. The news is unimportant:

The King of Sardinia had formally accepted the annexation of Tuscany, and had signed a decree to that effect.

The French army is daily quitting Lombardy, and would occupy Savoy. The *Constitutionnel* says that it is not on account of any coldness toward Sardinia, but because the independence of Italy is irrevocably assumed.

The Sardinian Bishops had commenced the excommunication of Savoy.

The French dispatch explaining the necessity for the annexation of Savoy, had been published. It contains nothing new.

The proceedings in the British Parliament were unimportant.

Further progress had been made with the Budget, and the Income Tax had been agreed to.

Commercial.

Pittsburgh Market.

TUESDAY, March 10, 1860.

APPLES—Prime, $3.50 ₱ bbl.; $2.25@2.75 for Romanites and Grindstones.

BACON—Shoulders, 7¾@8c.; Sides, 9½@9¾c.; Hams, 10@10½c.; Sugar Cured do., 12@12½c. ₱ lb.

BEANS—Prime, 80c.@$1.00 per bushel.

BUTTER—11@17c., as in quality.

CHEESE—Hamburg, 12c. Western Reserve, 10@10½c.

DRIED FRUIT—Apples, $1.50; Peaches, $3.50@4.25.

EGGS—10½@11c. per dozen, by the bbl.

FLOUR—Super., $5.40@5.55; Extra, $5.70@5.75; Extra Family, $5.95@6.00; Fancy, $6.40@6.45.

GROCERIES—Sugar: 8½@9c. ₱ lb. Molasses: Cypress, 46½@47c.; Oak, 48@49c.; ₱ gallon. Coffee, 14½@14¾c.

GRAIN—Oats, 42c. on wharf, and 43@44c. from store. Corn, 60@65c. Rye, 90@95c. Wheat, $1.35@1.40. Barley, 60@65c.

HAY—$15.00@19.00 ₱ ton, at scales.

HIDES AND LEATHER—Green beef hides, 6@6½c.; green salted hides, 7½@7¾c.; dry flint, 15@16c. Rough country leather is dull at 26@27c. Dressed leather is quoted as follows: Red Spanish Sole ₱ lb., 21@25c. Slaughter Sole ₱ lb., 26@30c.; Upper Leather, ₱ dozen, $33@38; Bridle Leather ₱ dozen, $40@45; Skirting Leather ₱ lb., 32@34; Harness, 27@30.

LARD—Country, 10½c.

LIME—Louisville White, $1.25.

POTATOES—Neshannocks, 50c. Reds, 35c.

SEEDS—Clover, $4.00@4.25. Timothy, $2.85@3.00. Flax, $1.40.

ALLEGHENY CATTLE MARKET.

BEEVES—The offerings during the week amounted to 605 head, at prices ranging from 3 to 5c. ₱ lb.

SHEEP—431 head were offered, and only 131 sold, at $3.75 ₱ cwt.; balance sent East.

HOGS—312 head offered, 229 of which were sold at prices ranging from 5@6¼c. ₱ lb. The quality was good.

HORSES—12 head were sent East.

New-York.

NEW YORK, April 9.—Flour: $5.25 for super. State, 5.30@5.50 for extra State, $5.20@5.30 for super. Western, 5.30@5.70 for common to medium extra Western, and 5.90@6.05 for inferior to good shipping brands of extra R. H. O. Canadian Flour, 5.35@7.00. Rye, 3.70@4.40. Wheat: 1.23@1.25 for Milwaukie Club, and 1.50 for common to white Southern. Rye, 82c. Barley, 70@85c. Corn: 73¼@75c. for Western mixed. Oats: 43½@44½c. for Western and Canadian, and 45@45½c. for State. Butter: 11@13c. for Ohio, and 12@20c. for State. Cheese, 10@12c.

Special Notices.

WESTERN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.—The Board of Directors of the Western Theological Seminary will meet in the Seminary Hall, on Wednesday, April 18th, at 2 o'clock P. M.

The Board of Trustees will meet in the Lecture-room of the First church, Pittsburgh, on Thursday, April 19th, at 10 o'clock A. M.

The examination will commence on Monday, April 16th, at 10 o'clock A. M.

The Committee of Examination are Revs. Thomas Creigh, D.D., James Alexander, D.D., James I. Brownson, D.D., and Messrs. F. G. Bailey and James Schoonmaker.

On Tuesday evening, the 17th, an Address will be given before the "Society of Inquiry," by Rev. Moses D. Hoge, D.D., of Richmond, Va.

On Wednesday evening, 18th, Addresses by the Graduating Class; and Farewell Address to them by a member of the Faculty. W. B. MCILVAINE, Secretary.

Married.

In Pittsburgh, by Rev. D. M'Kinney, D.D., Mr. SAMUEL KIRK to Miss PRISCILLA SOMERHILL, both of Plum Township, Allegheny County, Pa.

By Rev. W. B. Keeling, on March 20th, at the residence of the bride's mother, Mr. JAMES REED to Miss MARGARET GLASS, both of Washington County, Pa. On March 20th, Mr. CRAIG F. RAMSEY, of Burlington, Iowa, to Miss ELIZA ANN GRAHAM, of Washington County, Pa.

On the 27th ult., by Rev. D. D. Clarke, Mr. JACOB S. SHIDE to Miss MARION POSTLETHWAITE, both of Mifflin County, Pa. On the 29th ult., Mr. CHARLES F. LUTHURST, of Perrysville, Juniata County, Pa., to Miss KATE B. PRICE, of McVeytown, Pa.

On Thursday, March 22d, by Rev. W. L. Lyons, Mr. JOSHUA W. RANKIN to Miss MARGARET LOUTHER, all of Warren County, Ill.

In Harrisburg, March 8th, by Rev. W. Simonton, of Williamsport, Rev. ALEX. L. BLACKFORD, of Martinsville, Ohio, under appointment as missionary to Brazil, to Miss ELIZABETH W. SIMONTON, of Harrisburg, Pa.

Obituary.

[ANNOUCEMENTS, GRATIS; ADDITIONAL REMARKS, FIVE CENTS A LINE, NINE WORDS BEING A LINE.]

DIED—At Altoona, Pa., April 7th, of congestion of the brain, FRANKLIN RUSH, infant son of Rev. A. B. and Mary F. Clark, aged 10 months.

DIED—On the morning of the 27th ult., in the 42d year of his age, MR. JOHN WALKER, late of Hollidaysburg, Pa., and for the last few years of Scott County, Iowa.

DIED—At the residence of her father, in Mead Township, Belmont County, Ohio, on the 31st of March, Miss LETITIA M'KINLEY, in the 34th year of her age.

DIED—In Zanesville, Ohio, March 30th, of whooping cough, SHERMAN ROGERS, younger son of Rev. James M. and Frances E. Platt, aged 2 years and 7 months.

DIED—February 21st, JAMES THOMAS EVERETT, son of James and Jane E. B. Ritchey, of Richland, Venango Co., Pa., aged 13 months and 7 days.

To the spirit-land the child is gone,
Parents dry your tears;
Lift up your eyes to yonder skies,
And try to meet him there. S.P.K.

DIED—Of malignant scarlet fever, near the Presbyterian church, in Bristol Township, Morgan County, Ohio, the following children of Alexander and Margaret Roy: March 1st, WILLIAM, aged 2 years, 5 months, and 27 days. March 8th, THOMAS A., aged 5 years, 4 months, and 15 days. March 8th, MOSES, aged 15 years, 7 months, and 13 days. March 9th, JOSEPH, aged 17 years, 1 month, and 27 days. March 15th, MARGARET ELLEN, aged 7 years, 10 months, and 10 days.

In fifteen days did the angel of death cut down five of seven lovely children. We trust He that "gathereth the lambs in his bosom" hath taken them to the many mansions house on high. In this deep affliction the parents turn to their covenant-keeping God, knowing that "He doeth all things well." Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth. G.

DIED—October 20th, 1859, in Superior Township, Williams County, Ohio, Mr. JOHN W. BRANNAN, Ruling Elder in the Presbyterian church of West Bethesda.

Mr. Brannan was born in Franklin Township, Columbiana County, Ohio, on the 12th of September, 1822; consequently he was but a little more than thirty-seven years old, at his death. He united with the Bethesda Presbyterian church in Columbiana County, when about twenty-one years old; and in about a year after, married Miss Margaret M'Quilken, also a member of said church. In 1847 he removed with his family to Williams County, where, in the twenty-sixth year of his age, he was elected a Ruling Elder in the West Bethesda church. Here was the scene of his prayers, his counsels, and his Christian labors; and here he died in triumphant faith. He leaves an esteemed wife and seven children, whose bereaved state has the unalloyed sympathy of all who knew him. His departure has caused a void in the society in which he moved, and in the congregation of which he was an officer, more sensibly felt and acknowledged, perhaps, than that of any other personage. Though he had his faults, (himself not denying, but lamenting them,) his life, from the time of his profession of Christianity till his death, was a rare exemplification of true religious worth. He had qualities and capacities which, when turned into the channel of true religion—when exerted in the cause of the Divine Master by one like him, in the glow of youth and prime of manhood, were calculated to commend himself and his religion to the hearts of many. And among these were his talents—known, acknowledged, and appreciated even by those outside the pale of the Church; his natural affection—binding all his relatives to him as by magnetic influence; his suavity of temper—proverbial, and which was reflected in the face of every individual he met; his benevolence of heart and kindness—which, when he died, left him without any known enemy. These, and other things, made him, we suppose, better calculated to exert an influence than most other men in similar retired walks of life. Happily that influence was on the side of right. Where discord raged, his part he filled by pouring oil on the troubled waters. Though diffident, when duty called him he was a most trusty counsellor of both the youth and the aged. How sought after, how salutary was his advice! His labors for West Bethesda church were crowned with fruits that gave him cause to "joy and rejoice." His visitations of the sick; his care of the youth of the church; his labors to publicly instruct in the Sabbath School; in fine, his modest yet working piety have implanted his memory deep in the hearts of both professors and non-professors. We speak of non-professors, and we might couple other denominations with Presbyterians when we calculate the esteem in which he was held; for it is notorious that he stood preeminent in the township in which he lived, whenever his admirers thought fit to put him forward for offices of honor and trust. This was owing, under Providence, to his fidelity to confidence reposed in him, to his rare capacity of making friends, and to his unfeigned piety. Those who differed in faith with him were yet constrained to respect him, and when he solemnly talked on religious matters, there was that unction in his manner that the most callous scarcely could have the hardihood to treat it with derision. His frequent exhortations to the youth of his neighborhood, given in the Sabbath School or prayer-meeting, may even yet—in the memory of them—prove the truth, "A word spoken in due season, how good it is." Many may appreciate the truth of the language of that hymn, which he sometimes used when he led the worship, where were assembled the young, the gay, and the thoughtless:

"True, you are young, but there's a stone
Within the youngest breast;
Or half the sins that you have done
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But he is gone. His life was short, but well-spent. He began when young to serve his heavenly Master, and kept consistently on. He trusted in Him who "brought life and immortality to light in the Gospel." His God, true to the promise given to all saints, forsook him not in the last extremities. But when with pain and fever he was wasted to a skeleton, he could rejoice in the "God and Rock of his salvation." He bore with great resignation and patience his last uncommonly severe and protracted illness; and at last, after witnessing a good confession, his body literally worn out, gave egress to his unearthly part, and he, the beloved of so many, sweetly fell asleep in Jesus. "He died without regret—regretted by all." W.L.M.

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