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The Banner.

EDITED BY H. HARPER.

MOUNT VERNON, OHIO.

FRIDAY MORNING, SEPT. 16, 1870.

Democratic State Ticket.

SECRETARY OF STATE,
WILLIAM HESLEY, of Cuyahoga.
SUPREME JUDGE,
RICHARD A. HARRISON, of Madison.
COMPTROLLER OF THE TREASURY,
JOHN H. HEATON, of Belmont.
MEMBER BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS,
WILLIAM SPENCER, of Licking.

FOR CONGRESS,
GEN. GEORGE W. MORGAN.

For Common Pleas Judge,
CHARLES FOLLETT.

For Member of the Board of Equalization,
WILLIAM BARTON, of Wayne.

KNOX COUNTY DEMOCRATIC TICKET.

FOR SHERIFF,
ALLEN J. BEACH.
FOR PROSECUTING ATTORNEY,
ABEL HART.
FOR COMMISSIONER,
JOHN LYAL.
INFIRMARY DIRECTOR,
SAMUEL SNYDER.
FOR CORONER,
GEORGE W. WELKER.

General Morgan's Speech at Brandon.

On the first page of this week's BANNER, we publish General Morgan's speech delivered at Brandon, on Saturday evening last, in reply to the speech of Senator Sherman at Delaware. Mr. Sherman undertook the task of reviewing the speech of General Morgan at Delaware, a few days previous, and by an array of garbled extracts and a gross perversion of facts, he succeeded in stringing together several columns of electing stuff, well calculated to deceive, but not to enlighten the public. General Morgan has torn off the thin gauze from Sherman's mass of fabrications, and exposed their hideousness to the gaze of the country. The exposure is complete and overwhelming. Sherman's pretended facts are shown to be miserable fabrications, wholly unworthy the character of a man who pretends to be a statesman and a man of truth and honor. Every reader of the BANNER and every voter in the county, should give this able speech a careful perusal.

High Stolen Taxes.

"Hop at the West End." Such is the heading of an article in the "Home Journal," "the Mirror of Fashion," and the Reflector of the Shoddydom. "This—the Hop," says the Journal, "one of the most popular resorts at the Branch this season, (where our President has his 'cottage by the sea'), was the scene on Friday evening last, August 26th, of a brilliant affair, to which much of the fashion and beauty now congregated here, lent eclat. Amid the throng of fair women present and noticeable for the elegance of their toilettes was Mrs. SHERIDAN SHOOK, in a pink and white striped dress in train, with embroidered flowers of pink and black, a white lace shawl, and her usual TASTEFUL DISPLAY OF DIAMONDS." How pretty! When one remembers that the "pink" in that gorgeous dress in train, was the blood stains, and those diamonds glistened through the sweat drops of the taxpayers, a million of whose money was stolen by Mr. Sheridan Shook, husband of Mrs. Sheridan Shook, and delegate to the Republican State Convention at Albany.

War and Peace Taxation.

The following table furnished by the Secretary of the Treasury, shows the taxes since the war to be nearly three times as great as during the war:

Taxes in War Years.	
1861.....	\$4,000,000
1862.....	5,000,000
1863.....	11,000,000
1864.....	20,000,000
1865.....	32,000,000
Total.....	\$72,000,000
Taxes in Years of Peace.	
1866.....	\$600,000,000
1867.....	400,000,000
1868.....	600,000,000
1869.....	800,000,000
1870.....	400,000,000
Total.....	\$2,333,000,000

This is economy and retrenchment, as we defined by the war in power!

Revenue Tax Payers Paid by the Tax Payers of Ohio.

The Federal Internal Revenue tax paid by Ohio and the New England States, for the year 1869, is as follows:

Ohio.....	\$16,082,497
Massachusetts.....	\$9,282,734
Connecticut.....	2,389,201
Rhode Island.....	1,280,295
Maine.....	681,128
New Hampshire.....	651,048
Vermont.....	314,778
Total.....	\$31,486,128

Excess paid by Ohio.....\$1,506,369

It will be seen that Ohio pays more revenue, by ONE AND A HALF MILLIONS THAN ALL NEW ENGLAND! The people of the 13th Ohio District are tired of paying the tax of New England manufacturers; they propose to vote the Democratic ticket and have the odious system of legalized robbery and extortion abolished.

Expenditures of the Government under Buchanan and Grant.

Secretary Boutwell a few weeks since, published their yearly expenditures from 1860 to 1870. His showing stands:

1860.....	\$63,028,789.34
1870.....	\$22,118,369.81

Excess, 1870.....\$22,088,479.87

The tax during Buchanan's last year, 1870, was over eight dollars per head.

That is what is termed "the success of the present administration." It certainly is a "success" as far as filching money from the pockets of tax payers goes.

The Republican is worrying itself to get answers from "General Morgan and the BANNER" in regard to certain resolutions passed at a Democratic meeting in Mercer county. The BANNER will speak for itself by saying that we have nothing to do with the resolutions passed by the Democrats of Mercer county and they are not an issue in this campaign. The platform we stand upon is the resolutions adopted by the Democracy of Ohio in State Convention assembled. They suit us very well.

Johnson and Grant.

The official statement of the Governmental levies just put forth by Boutwell, Grant's Secretary of the Treasury, is as follows:

1868-70.....	\$408,000,000
1868-9.....	\$380,000,000
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Excess of Grant.....\$28,000,000

That is, the Government levied upon the people \$28,000,000 more in the fiscal year of Johnson's administration than in the last year of Johnson's.

As a precursor to this chapter of the impositions of the Radical party upon the Tax-Payers, we give the following from one of Don Platt's Washington letters to the Cincinnati Commercial, Radical:

"We have a corrupt Congress, a stupid Executive, and the only arm of the Government that remains pure is the Supreme Court, and that a President has sought to pack with creatures of his own, and the Senate strives to destroy."

In the face of the above record the Radicals in Ohio and elsewhere have the outrageous IMPUDENCE to ask the people to vote for and elect their candidates to Congress, in order that they may continue their depredations upon the pocket-books of the hard working Farmers and Tax-Payers.

Good News from Maine.

The Maine election took place on Monday, and although Gen. Grant carried the State by a majority of 28,000, in 1869, the Radical majority this year is only 6,000, being a Democratic gain of 22,000. The Democrats have won several counties that have heretofore voted against us, and made large gains in the Legislature. The delegation in Congress will remain as heretofore. The result is every way encouraging to the friends of Reform, and gives a foretaste of the great political revolution that is approaching all over the country.

An Increase of State Taxes of \$578,902.32!

It is a fact, that the Radical Legislature of last winter, increased the taxes in Ohio, five hundred and seventy-eight thousand, nine hundred and two dollars and thirty-two cents! This, too, at a time when the bondholder is exempt from paying a cent of taxes, through the legislation of a Radical Congress.

The Roving President.

The Cabinet had a two hours session on the 9th inst, which, however, was only represented by three departments by their proper heads. After the session was over the great Smokestack again left the City on another Gilt Enterprise expedition and it is said he will not return until some time in October. Such a President!

United States Recognizes the French Republic.

Late on the afternoon of the 8th, Minister Washburn had an interview with Jules Favre, at which he announced that the American Government had recognized the sister Republic of France. Favre was much moved. Grasping Washburn by the hand, he exclaimed: "I receive the notification with gratitude and profound emotion."

The people of Ohio paid the following taxes in 1869:

1869.....	\$22,337,877
1860.....	10,817,676
Increase over 1860.....	\$11,520,201

All this enormous increase of taxation the Radicals are responsible for.

The friends of Temperance in the Eighteenth Congressional District, met in Convention on the 10th inst, and nominated John D. Taylor, of Oneida, as their candidate for Congress. This movement is denounced by the Radical papers on the Reserve as one calculated to withdraw votes from their party. The Radicals themselves inaugurated this politico-temperance organization, but when they can't run it in the interest of their own party, they are down on it as an abomination to be avoided by all the "truly loil."

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POLITICAL.

Daniel B. Lee is the Democratic nominee for State Senator in the Stark district.

Judge Thurman delivered an able speech at Cincinnati on Saturday night last, before a very large audience.

R. F. Hurlbutt, editor of the Herald, is the Democratic candidate for Prosecuting Attorney in Delaware county.

E. F. Poppleton, the Democratic nominee for State Senator in the Delaware-Licking District, is making a vigorous campaign. He will be elected.

The Democracy of the 9th Congressional district are confident of the re-election of Hon. E. F. Dickinson, by an increased majority.

If the Democracy and the Workingmen of the Stark district unite upon Col. E. Ball, they can easily elect him to Congress. We hope they will do it.

The Republicans of New Jersey nominated for Congress in the First District John W. Hazleton, and in the Third District Robert Rusing.

The Democratic State Convention of Florida has nominated S. L. Niblack for Governor and W. D. Bloxham for Lieutenant Governor.

The Democrats of the Fifth Congressional District of Pennsylvania have nominated John R. Reading for Congress. He was elected in 1868 by only forty-one majority.

The Republican State Convention of New York was held Wednesday at Saratoga. S. S. Woodford was nominated for Governor, receiving 258 votes against 105 for Horace Greeley and 25 for G. W. Curtis.

John T. Stoneman, of McGregor, has been nominated in the Democratic Convention for member of Congress from the Third Congressional District of Iowa.

The Democrats of the Seventeenth Pennsylvania Congressional District have nominated R. Milton Spear, of Huntingdon county. He is about thirty-three years of age, and a lawyer.

The Democrats of the Seventeenth Congressional District (Ohio) have concluded not to make a nomination, but will support Colonel Ball, of Stark County, who was nominated not long since by the Workingmen of the district.

Myron Ryder, of Montclair county, has been nominated for Congress by the Democrats of the Fourth Michigan District.

In the First District of the same State, George V. Lathrop was at first nominated at the Convention at Monroe, but declined by telegraph, and H. N. B. Elridge of Adrian, was elected.

General Durbin Ward has been nominated as a candidate for Senator in the Butler Senatorial District, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of L. D. Campbell.

Donn Platt, one of the shrewdest Radical politicians in Ohio, gives it as his opinion that the Democracy will carry Ohio at the October election.

Wendell Phillips is out in favor of Sumner and Revels for President and Vice President in 1872. Theodore Tilton, editor of the New York Independent, prefers Butler and Revels.

The Republican State Central Committee of Ohio has issued a circular to the office-holders demanding that they "come down" with the scrip, in order that the officials have exposed the circular, and beg to be excused from contributing.

Schuyler Colfax, who for the last year has been entirely lost sight of, brings himself forward by announcing his retirement from public life. The substance of Colfax's letter is that as General Grant will be re-nominated for the Presidency, and a Vice President taken from the South or East, and there being no longer any chance for him, he makes a virtue of necessity and retires.

The Democracy of Canton obtained a splendid victory a few days ago, in the election of Henry S. Belden, a sterling young Democrat, to the mayor born, Mayor of the City, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Mayor Sawyer. Democratic victories are becoming hopelessly numerous.

LATE WAR ITEMS.

Prussia has formally notified Bavaria of her intention to annex to Germany a portion of France as a military frontier.

Portugal has recognized the Republic. M. Cremonesi represents the Government at Tours.

The Paris Figaro regards the tender of American mediation as an opportunity for peace.

King William has given orders that Napoleon shall be treated as the Sovereign of France.

The Bavarian Government is negotiating for admission into the North German Confederation.

It is officially announced that Baron Mercier, French Minister to Madrid, has been recalled.

The Journal des Debats publishes accounts of excesses committed by Red Republicans at Toulouse and Lyons.

All railroad tunnels in the Department of the Seine et Marne were blown up by order of the military authorities; bridges have also been destroyed.

The Paris correspondent of the News writes that England, having declined to negotiate for an armistice, Austria has undertaken it.

The Journal Official publishes the letter of the Ministers from Italy and Switzerland, recognizing the Provisional Government.

The Citadel of Loon was surrendered to save the city from destruction. The Prussians subsequently blew up the fortifications.

A letter received from Strasbourg says the condition of the city is much better than supposed. The garrison has plenty of munitions and food for two months.

The Secretary General of the Bank of France says the crown jewels are not there. The Government authorities took care to have them deposited in a safe place outside the city.

Senor Oleague, Spanish Ambassador at Paris, has communicated to Jules Favre a formal recognition of the new Government by Spain. Belgium is expected to recognize the Republic at once.

The Post, speaking semi-officially, says the neutrals have abandoned all hopes of suspending hostilities. Bancroft is making no further efforts towards mediation.

American residing in the suburbs of Paris are advised to remain in their houses and raise the national flag for protection.

Russia is more decided than ever in opposing the dismemberment of France, and will propose a Congress to settle terms of peace.

SINGER has just received and opened a fine selection of Winter Goods. Call and examine them.

The Opening Campaign Speech.

[From the Commonwealth—Corry's Paper.]

We have previously expressed a high opinion of this opening campaign speech of Gen. Morgan, which has been strengthened by its perusal. He has been indefatigable in showing up the waste, extravagance and corruption of the Republicans. The exposure is so effectual, that it will have a great deal to do with the success of the Democracy in the pending contest, which he says, "is a struggle between the robbers and the robbed, between the office-holders, who have stolen the machinery of a party, and the people."

Our federal taxes, and of course the bonuses paid to Yankee factories have more than doubled within ten years; Ohio having paid twenty-two millions last year in lieu of ten millions for 1869. General Morgan states a fact which everybody recognizes, when he says: "Instead of economy and retrenchment, the most impudent and unblushing extravagance exists in every part of the government."

Defalcation has become the general rule among revenue officers, and he charges that there are three hundred and forty such cases, ten of whom were behind six millions of dollars. Civil suits have been brought in less than one instance out of ten, but no criminal prosecutions.

The President and his cabinet set the example of corruption in high places, each one of them without any legal authority, charging the Treasury with carriages, and horses, and drivers, and subsistence.

The Constitution provides that no money shall be paid out by the Treasury, without express warrant of law; and yet the Secretary of the Navy, by his order No. 76, has increased officers pay in his department one third, we presume upon the Sherman idea, that the gratitude of the country toward its servants can not be great enough. And the new grades of title had to be invented, in order to justify these increased salaries, whether there was any corresponding employment or not. The orator says: "In 1861 the highest grade in the Navy was captain. Then, we had as many fleets and as many vessels as now.—To-day we have six fleets and thirty admirals! Six fleets and seventy-eight commodores! Five admirals and thirteen commodores to a fleet! While one of either grade is sufficient. We have thirty-eight vessels afloat, with more than two commodores and nearly an admiral for each vessel. And all this, while we pay more taxes than any people on earth."

About one hundred of these naval officers are stationed at Washington city, including ten admirals and nine commodores, for any one of whom it takes great ingenuity in the Secretary, to find any useful to be done, except to display their uniforms on the streets, and in the public places. It appears by the speech that Mound city, on the Ohio above Cairo, has the distinction of being honored by the presence of as many as nine naval officers, who are paid high salaries for fresh water service, and who are continually tinkering and overhauling and mending and patching steamers, and boarding crews and themselves, for long periods in utter idleness. We presume the abuse is now in full feather; and that the western people are expected to submit to it like donkeys as long as they can pay the taxes and save enough of their crops to pay for a meager support of themselves and their families.

If Gen. Morgan will keep on ventilating these abuses, and will keep especially in his own district to the fact showing, and Gen. Garfield on the other side, he will have won a place in the Democratic confidence.

DEATH OF H. A. DENNIS.—The Kanakoo Times, of the 7th inst., contains an account of the sudden death of Mr. H. A. Dennis, formerly of this county, but who of late years has been an agent of the Illinois Central Railroad, at Kanakoo.

The death occurred by Mr. Dennis being caught between two cars, which crushed him so terribly that he only survived thirty minutes. Mr. Dennis' numerous friends in Knox county, will hear of his lamentable death with feelings of profound sorrow.

TO THE LADIES.—We hope the ladies will remember that the County Fair is close at hand, and make due preparations for a large and fine exhibition of fancy work. Let every lady in Knox county be on hand.

Masons! Masons!!

NOTICE is hereby given that sealed proposals will be received at the Auditor's Office in Mt. Vernon, Ohio, until noon of October 15th, 1870, for the construction of two piers of a bridge over Owl Creek near Hamilton's mill (so called) in Butler Twp. Bids to be by mail to the Auditor, and to be accompanied by plans and specifications on file in said office.

The commissioners reserve the right to reject all bids. By order of the Board.

S. W. PARQUHAR, Auditor, and by mail to James T. Clark, Butler, Ohio, Sept. 16th.

PUBLIC SALE.

WILL BE SOLD at Public Sale, at the residence of the subscriber, in Monroe Twp. Knox county, Ohio.

On Saturday, Sept. 24th, 1870, Commencing at 10 o'clock A. M., the following property to wit: Horses, Cattle, Hogs, Sheep, Corn in the shock, hay in the stack, and various other articles. I will also sell at the same time, sell my Farm, containing 140 acres, 100 of which are cleared and under cultivation, the balance in woods and brush. There is a good young orchard and 5 never-failing springs; also, a good frame house and a hewed log granary and building houses ever where. EARL K. BROOKS, of Fulton, Mo., is the auctioneer.

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Agents can now get Territory for Mark Twain's

New Book, with 235 Engravings.

Who has not heard of the author? Who has not laughed over his quaint sayings and queer stories? Who has not read his funny descriptions of life in the West? Who has not been fascinated by the keenness of his satire, and the frank and daring openness of his work?

Agents rarely have so good a chance for money as to sell Mark Twain's new book. It is a 20,000 Volume Printed in Advance and now Ready for Agents. Circulars giving full information sent free. Address:

R. W. BLISS & CO., Toledo, O. Sept. 16.

\$10 A DAY—Business entirely new and honorable. Liberal inducements. Descriptive circular free. Address: J. C. RAND & CO., Biddford, Me. July 15th.

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LOCAL BREVITIES.

The BANNER and other good papers can always be had at Taft's bookstore.

The Fall Term of Kenyon College began last week.

It is denied that there is any sickness at Put-in-Bay Islands.

Three hundred emigrants passed through Cleveland last week.

The Wooster University has been dedicated with imposing ceremonies.

The fruit crop of this county especially peaches, will not be as good as usual this year.

Rejoice by moonlight is the latest novelty. The Methodists introduced it at Marietta last week.

Akron has a population of 10,010, which is considerably less than the people up their claim.

The new Cistern at the corner of McKenzie and Front streets is about complete.

Black lace veils are going out of fashion, succeeded by those of the color of the house.

Columbus has a population of 31,336, showing an increase of 12,785 within the last ten years.

One of the arts of making people happy is to be so yourself. Sunshine, like the measles and love, is catching.

Messrs. Whitcomb & Chase have sent out their monthly "Literary Bulletin," of new publications.

Gen. Morgan left for Coshocton county on Wednesday to fulfill a number of appointments to address public meeting.

Francis Ewert, a prominent and esteemed citizen of Clay township, died on Wednesday evening, the 14th inst., of consumption.

The population of Cleveland, as returned by the U. S. Marshal, is ninety-two thousand, nine hundred and eighty-five.

A. L. Robinson has been indicted by the grand jury of Richland county, for the murder of Mary S. Lunsford, in May last.

The work on the C. M. V. & D. R. R., is progressing finely. The grading and stone-work is nearly completed to Napoleon.

Several of our exchanges are relating how they were swindled in the "Koskoff" trade. We didn't invest in that enterprise.

The Commissioners are repairing the bridge over the Vernon river at the foot of Main street, and are making a splendid job of it.

We had a fine rain on Friday, which was greatly needed by our farmers, as well as by those whose wells and cisterns had given out.

Our business men who desire Job Work for the Fair, should bring it in at once and have it done before the "rush" begins.

The proposition to extend the City boundaries has been before the Commissioners for a week or more, and has given rise to great excitement.

Judge A. B. Norton left for Springfield on Monday evening, to attend the State Fair—being the only representative, we believe, from Mt. Vernon.

We regret to learn that Richard Nevins, Esq., one of the proprietors of the Columbus Statesman, is lying dangerously ill at Philadelphia.

Messrs. Sweetland & Bryant expect to move into their elegant new store room, under the BANNER office, in one week from this time.

Mr. Potwin has men at work erecting warehouses in the rear of the BANNER office, for the accommodation of Messrs. Sweetland & Bryant, and Britton & Stamp.

The Commissioners of the county invite proposals for putting up abutments and piers for a bridge over Owl Creek, near Hollister's Mill, in Butler township.

Israel Underwood, who had a contract for one mile of the earth-work on the Millersburg Road, has completed the same. Mr. Henegun is pushing his work forward with all possible rapidity.

Mrs. Lurana Taft, the aged and respected mother of our townsman, H. C. Taft, died at the residence of her son on Gambier Avenue, on Tuesday morning, aged 75 years. She was born at North-bridge, Mass., in 1794.

We made a mistake in saying that the State Fair, at Springfield, was in operation last week. We meant to say that the business of making entries was in full blast. The Fair is now in the full tide of success.

Prof. John Ogden, the new principal of Milner Hall, Gambier, has entered upon his duties with a much larger number of pupils, than he anticipated, and the prospects are that many more will be added to the school in the next few weeks.

The Methodist Conference has stationed the Rev. Wm. Hustis, at Gambier, and ordered the late incumbent, Rev. Mr. Barnes, to Castle Dover.

The Methodist community of Gambier and other friends see Mr. Barnes go with regret, he having, in his two years past, gained the esteem of all with whom he had been brought in contact.

Bill Bane. This gentleman, who is well known to the saloon keepers of Mt. Vernon, has been hired by Hon. C. W. Potwin, the National Bank candidate for Congress to "work up his case" in this county.

Mr. Bane has been in the city of Mt. Vernon this week, "filing things." He has devoted his time principally to "reading the boys," and what is remarkable, he pays his bills as he goes along, not as in former years, by saying "chalk it down," but by opening his wallet and drawing therefrom rolls of newly printed notes, looking as though they had just come out of Bank. We are pleased to hear that Billy is so flush of money, and we hope, while his purse is in a plectroic condition, that he will call at the BANNER office, and settle that old bill of advertising.

Look out for him. We have received word that one Henry Fry, a subscriber of the BANNER, at Martinsburg, has left that place for parts unknown, forgetting to settle a little bill at this office amounting to \$2.25. We warn editors, landlords, merchants, tradesmen, and all others in the West, to beware of this man Fry. He has proven himself to be a grand rascal and should be shunned by all honest white men.

To Cure a Felon. The Journal of Medicine recommends a cure for those troublesome disorders, that as soon as the parts begin to swell, cloth, saturated with the tincture of lobelia, should be wrapped around them. This kills the felon, and is said never to fail if applied in season.

DELANO AGAIN.

The question is asked every day "what is Delano doing in Mount Vernon so long, instead of attending to his duties in Washington?" As we are not Delano's conscience keeper, we are not prepared to answer the question; but from what some Republicans tell us, we guess he is not doing much good for himself or any one else. It is said that he is not taking much part in politics; but if Mr. Potwin could be induced to pay him a good fee, say \$300, he might consent to make one or two speeches, in support of the Delano cause. His principal business, so far as we can learn, is to fight the City Council, which is composed almost exclusively of Republicans in regard to the grade of Chestnut street. This subject has almost set him crazy. He thinks and talks about nothing else. He is cursing and abusing the members of the Council every day. He declares they "are a set of scoundrels and dirty puppets," who are conspired together to ruin him and destroy his property; and he avows his determination to "spend his last dollar and spill his last drop of blood," (he did the same thing behind a breast-work of pork and beans during the late war), but what he will have the grade raised on Chestnut street, and those trees of forty years' growth, which he planted with his own hands, and watered with his tears, protected from Vandal hands! To make his threat good we learn that he employed a distinguished lawyer with whom he has not been on speaking terms for ten years, to proceed to Newark for the purpose of instituting legal proceedings against the City Council.

The truth is, the new grade on Chestnut street will be of immense benefit to Mr. Delano's property, and he knows it very well; but being by nature mean, selfish, peevish, vindictive and malicious, he has commenced this proceeding out of pure spite work, hoping to be able to force the City to grade his lot, and improve his premises, without any expense being incurred on his part. But we predict that he will be beaten again, as he deserves to be, and will have to pay for grading his lot out of his own pocket, as better men than he have had to do in Mount Vernon before.

Accident and Narrow Escape.

On Tuesday evening, about 8 o'clock, as Mr. George B. Potwin, accompanied by his wife, Miss Mary Cooper and John Lee Brooks of Newark, was driving along Gambier street, he met with a serious but not fatal accident, by coming in collision with the buggy of Joseph Miller, which was going in an opposite direction. It appears the Johnson House omnibus was turning the corner of Ridgeley street into Gambier from the North, and a carriage at the same time was entering from the South, and while endeavoring to escape these, Mr. Potwin did not see the danger ahead until it was too late to avoid the crash. Both carriages were pretty well smashed up. All the parties were thrown out and considerably injured. It was reported that Mr. Potwin had one of his ribs broken, but this was a mistake, as he was out the next day, but suffering some pain from his bruises. Mr. Brooks, who grasped the reins from Mr. Potwin's hands, when the collision occurred, was dragged a considerable distance and much injured. Mrs. Potwin and Miss Cooper were but slightly injured. Joseph Miller was pretty badly bruised, and Miss Emma Peterson, who was riding with him, was put into a limping condition. Miss P. lost a package of money, which she was taking out home from her father's store; Mr. Potwin lost his pocket pistol, and Mrs. P. a gold bracelet, during the crash; but they were all afterwards found. It was really providential that none of the parties were killed, considering the violence of the collision.

The Potato Crop.

Owing to hot dry weather during the months of July and August, the crop of late potatoes in this county will, we are afraid, fall short of the demand. Good potatoes now sell readily from wagons at 80 cents to \$1.00 per bushel, and retail at \$1.00 to \$1.25; while last year the price ranged from 40 to 50 cents per bushel. The potatoes this year, however, although scarce, are generally of a good quality. The indications are that there will be an abundance of potatoes in the west, and we would therefore advise our farmers to sell while the present high prices can be had.

Has Returned.

Mr. Huntington, the agent for "Middleton's Chromo Oil Portraits," has returned to the city to finish delivering them to subscribers, and also to take new orders, to be delivered either now or some time in the winter.

Base Ball Tournament.

The "Forest Base Ball Club," of Martinsburg, Ohio, offer as a premium to the "Champion Club" of Knox county, a "Silver Ball," to be contested for on the grounds of the "Forest," in Martinsburg, Ohio, on Friday and Saturday, September 23d and 24th, 1870.

Terrible Death.

The Ashland Union of the 7th says: Mr. John Troxal, residing near Tylarown, in this county, was instantly killed on Thursday last in a steam saw mill at that place. He had gone to the basement and not returning as expected, search was made, when he was found lying upon his side, dead. In cutting or adjusting the machinery near the balance wheel, he was struck by an arm, and the top of his head knocked completely off, separating the upper from the lower part of the cranium. The deceased was about forty years of age, and leaves a wife and nine children. He was much esteemed on account of his frugality and industry.

Burglary and Robbery.

The store of Dr. W. B. Russell, was entered by burglars on Wednesday evening last. The entrance was effected in the rear of the store, by forcing a shutter open and taking the upper part out. Mr. Russell, having business in the store, came in about 11 o'clock, and it is supposed, frightened the robbers away, before they succeeded in doing much damage. They took a box of cigars, some perfume, and what change remained in the money drawers, amounting in all to about \$20.

Crowell Has Procured a Large Inframing.

Crowell has procured a large inframing, for making large pictures for framing. By thus making the negative as large as the picture to be made, the details which are sure to appear in a picture enlarged from a small negative, are usually done. Rooms in Ward's Building, Mt. Vernon, Ohio.

LITERARY NOTICES.

The War between the States, its Causes, Character, Conduct and Results.

By HON. A. H. STEPHENS. The National Publishing Co., of Cincinnati, Ohio, have just issued the second and concluding volume of this great work. For some time past there has been a general feeling of apprehension throughout the country, that the precarious condition of Mr. Stephens' health would prevent his completing the work, but this apprehension is now removed by the fact that the book is now finished and in the hands of the Agents of the Company for delivery. This is a matter of congratulation to the entire country. This book must from its very nature, take precedence of all Southern histories of the war. The high position held by Mr. Stephens in the government of the Confederacy, his great abilities as the first statesman of the South, and his acknowledged integrity of character, make him perhaps the person best qualified to tell the story of his cause and its failure. His position as second officer of the Confederacy enabled him to gain much information which was inaccessible to the ordinary historian, the secret history of his government is as familiar to him as an open book; and his constant and intimate association with the leaders of the South, prepared him to speak with authority of their motives, and to judge their action from a more intelligent standpoint than any other writer.

In the first volume of his work, Mr. Stephens confined himself entirely to a discussion of the causes which led to the secession of the South. In the volume now before us, he treats the glory of the war, giving special emphasis to the action of the government of the Confederacy, or to what may be called its confidential history. His account of the important conference at Hampton Roads between President Lincoln and the Confederate Commissioners, is one of the most valuable additions to the literature of the war, and is in itself worth the price of the entire work. The vexed question of the non-exchange of Prisoners of War has much new light shed upon it, and the peace movements in the South are thoroughly explained. The fact that the first volume, which was the introduction to the history of War, commanded a sale of over 60,000 copies, fully warrants the assertion that this volume, which is not a mere continuation of the first, but a living, breathing narrative of the events of the greatest struggle of modern times, by one of the most important actors in it, will reach a sale unprecedented in this country. No fair-minded, unprejudiced person can afford to be without this book. It is the official history of the Southern side, and must hold in the literature of the war even a higher place than is accorded to Mr. Greeley's American Conflict. It will occupy in our history the place that is given to Napoleon's Memoirs in the literature of the French Empire. It is like that work the last production of a great author, and is entitled to all the weight which attaches to the high character of a great leader presenting to the world the story of his campaign in vindication of his rights. The book is sold by subscription only, and agents are wanted in every county.

THE INNOCENTS ABROAD. We have received from the American Publishing Company, of Hartford, Conn., a beautiful volume of six hundred and fifty pages, finely illustrated with two hundred and thirty-four engravings, just brought out by them, entitled "The Innocents Abroad on the New Pilgrim's Progress," which is from the pen of that most inimitable and entertaining writer, "Mark Twain." Criticism of the work is almost impossible; as sufficient gravity of countenance for the purpose, can hardly be maintained over the volume. To think of, or look at it, is to smile, but to read it is to overwhelm all criticism with uncontrollable laughter. It is truly an original affair, and does credit to its author. He treats of subjects of which we supposed we were fully acquainted in such a manner that we come to the conclusion finally that we are swallows of our own words, and are aware that we are digesting much useful and important information, learning facts we never knew before, getting glimpses of scenes and places from entirely new standpoints, and catching new and quaint ideas, expressed in the most original and funny manner.

Altogether the book is a good one; one we can heartily recommend to our readers. It is pure in morals, and just the thing for fire-side reading. It is beautifully illustrated with two hundred and thirty-four fine engravings, and adds great value to the book. The Publishers have certainly done their part well, and given to the public a handsome volume.

Buy this book, say we, and our word for it we will not regret the outlay. We shall extract often and largely from it for our columns.

CHARLES DICKENS. Messrs. Harper & Brothers, Franklin Square, New York, have just issued, in cheap and popular style, the Speeches, Letters and Sayings of Charles Dickens; to which is added a sketch of the author by George Augustus Sala, and Dean Stanley's Sermon. The numerous admirers of Mr. Dickens in this country will read this volume with peculiar interest. For sale by Messrs. Whitecomb & Chase, Mt. Vernon.

On last Tuesday evening, Anthony Ruff, an old and respected citizen of Washington township, Stark county, while engaged in splitting rails, was seriously injured by the premature explosion of a powder barrel, which was in the act of firing. He received the force of the charge in his face, which was much bruised and disfigured. His eyes received the most serious damage, the powder having penetrated the external membranes.

Wanted!!

Any quantity of Butter and Eggs for which we will pay the very highest cash prices at Baldwin's.

Married—By Rev. A. J. Wiant, at his residence, on the 7th inst. Mr. BURE BRAD, to Miss DELIAH STONE.

Obituary.

DIED—In Monroe township, in this county, on the 24th ultimo, after a painful and lingering illness, Mr. JOHN HEWWOOD, in the 70th year of his age. Mr. Hewwood was born in Washington county, Pennsylvania, where he resided until 1840, when he removed with his family to this county, and settled on his farm on Schenck's creek, where he continued to reside until his death.

Mr. Hewwood was one of our most intelligent, enterprising and thrifty citizens, and above all else, an honest man. In all his dealing with his neighbor, he was distinguished for his promptness and integrity. Although Mr. Hewwood never united himself with any branch of the Church, yet he did not care; and in the belief of receiving that reward that is due to one who has endeavored to lead an honest and upright life, at the hands of that Judge who alone knows the weakness and imperfections of our nature, and who alone understands the secrets and desires of all men. Mr. Hewwood's many friends and neighbors will grieve to hear of his loss. He leaves behind a widow but a year or two younger than himself, and several children and daughters, who mourn the loss of an affectionate and kind husband and father.

A FRIEND.

Monroe Mills, Sept. 7th, 1870.

Commercial Record.

MT. VERNON MARKETS.

Correctly Collected Weekly for the Banner.

MT. VERNON, Sept. 9, 1870.

BUTTER—Choice table, 25c.

EGGS—Fresh, per doz., 15c.

CHEESE—Western Reserve, 15c.

APPLES—Green, 50c. per bushel; Dried 8c. per lb.

POTATOES—New, 50c. per bushel.

PEACHES—New and bright, dried 10c. per lb.

BEANS—Prime white, \$1.50 per bushel.

FEATHERS—Prime house fowls, 80¢/75¢ per lb.

BEESWAX—Yellow, 25c. per lb.

LARD—Loose 18¢/20¢ per lb.

SEEDS—Cloverseed, \$1.00 per bushel; Timothy \$2.00; Flax \$2.00.

TALLOW—5c. per lb.

HOGS—Live weight, 10c. per lb; dressed 12c. per lb.

RAGS—36¢/38¢ per lb.

FLOUR—\$3.50.

WHEAT—White, \$1.10 and scarce; Red \$1.00.

OATS—41¢/43¢ per bushel.

CORN—In the ear, 75¢ per bushel.

HAY—Timothy 8¢ per bushel.

The above are the buying rates—a little more would be charged by the retailer.

OHIO STATE NEWS.

Tiffin and Newark have the same population, 5,648.

Newark has a population of 4,401.

Bowling Green, 908. Madison, 2,334.

The Old Fellows of Fremont are to have an excursion to the Islands on the 21st.

Mrs. Catherine Beard, of West Lodi, Seneca county, aged 86 years, died on the 29th ult. She has 158 descendants living.

A new convent, a splendid edifice, is being erected in Tiffin.

Jim Finch is under arrest at Dayton, for obtaining money by personating a United States officer.

The citizens of Portsmouth have subscribed over \$70,000 toward the erection of Agricultural Works in that city.

The Findlay Courier says the late potato crop will be almost an entire failure in that County. The corn crop is reported excellent.

The Sheriff of Madison county got a pistol ball through his ear, a day or two ago, while arresting a horse thief. The thief went to jail, though.

The Hillsboro News says stock hogs are in great demand in that region, owing to the prospect of a good corn crop. They are selling at ten to eleven cents per pound.

The Hocking Valley Hop Company are still harvesting with a yield of about 25,000 pounds. The assistance of the Reform School became necessary on account of the scarcity of the pickers.

Charles Briggs, of Concord township, Ross county, has in the old pioneer orchard planted by his father, in 1799, three trees which combined measure in circumference, 294 feet.

A flock of sheep belonging to Mr. Crocker, of Neshannock township, Lawrence county, Pa., was attacked by dogs and between thirty and forty were killed and injured, most of the latter have since died.

The new Lunatic Asylum, at Columbus, will be called "Central Lunatic Asylum at Glenwood." The name of Glenwood was suggested by Mrs. Dr. Peck, wife of the Superintendent.

Rev. Aaron H. Thomas, Presiding Elder of the Canton district and one of the ablest divines in the Pittsburgh Conference of the M. E. Church, died at Canton, a few days ago.

As the Sheriff of Allen county was traveling on the Dayton and Michigan railroad, on Wednesday last, with a prisoner named Babel, the latter jumped from a car window and made good his escape.

S. Spaulding, Esq., son of Hon. R. C. Spaulding, has located in one of the Sandwich Islands, and is engaged in the manufacture of sugar. He is now in the United States on a visit to his friends.

Mrs. Mary S. Fox, seventy-four years old, left the residence of her son in Mansfield, on the 29th of August, and has not since been heard from. Information is desired of her at the office of F. W. Wagner, in Mansfield.

A vote of Chapman county for a tax of two hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars to secure the location of the Agricultural College, has just been announced by the Commissioners. There is a majority in favor of the tax.

The regular fall term of the Licking Court of Common Pleas was intended to have been held the present month, but on Tuesday last, after a session of less than two days, it was adjourned till the 17th of October, when a new judge will occupy the bench.

On Monday afternoon of last week, Mr. Andrew J. Deeds, a worthy citizen of Union township, Licking county, on his way home from Newark, suddenly fell dead in the roadway between Lockport and the County Fair Grounds.

Charles S. Graubridge, of Madison county, was shot by a horse thief, whom he attempted to arrest in London, on Monday last. Fortunately the Sheriff, in nick of time, turned his head to one side, causing the ball to miss its aim, and pass through his left ear, then striking a bone it glanced over the shoulder, and was found between his suspender and shirt. The thief, named Marshall, was arrested and lodged in jail.

The Newark Advocate says: Under the new management, work on the Newark and Straitsville railroad continues to be pushed forward with uninterrupted vigor. If insuperable obstacles intervene the contractors expect to have the rails laid across the National road by Monday night. They are also aiming to have the line finished to Thornport by the first week in October.

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