

The Intelligencer.

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It appears that there are some Democratic editors who want office. The President will be glad to know this.

When President Cleveland looked over the field of Gettysburg and then thought of some appointments he had made, he must have felt sort of queer.

The honor of membership in the Board of Public Works is worthily bestowed upon Mr. A. C. Egerton—a level-headed man who will endeavor to perform his duty faithfully.

Flu is the best friend that cholera can call its own. It is every man's business to fight the Asiatic enemy with the two-edged sword of cleanliness. If cholera doesn't come it will do no harm to be clean.

Yes, it would be "funny" if Okey Johnson were sent to represent his country in Central America; but the Central Americans might retaliate by closing their ports against our commerce. Would there be anything "funny" in that?

Taxpayers who gaged and robbed the Copans, of Belmont county, went about their fiendish work like practiced hands. If they were caught it might be that we should not have to look farther for the men who did the Workman job.

Hon. E. Boyd Faulkner would make a highly representative Belgian court. Some times, in looking back through the shadowy haze of the unhappy past, we think it would have been better if he had been nominated for Governor of West Virginia.

Dr. Earl Dufferin has resigned his post in India that will hardly occasion surprise. If England is going to permit Russia to walk over her in Central Asia, the Viceroy of India will not hold an enviable position. The Asiatic mind is much impressed with success in whatever form it may present itself, and it is awed by a glittering array of victorious bayonets.

With regard to the appointment of Meire to be Consul at Nagasaki, the Washington correspondent of the New York Times (Mugwump) says:

Colorado people suggest that the South ought to furnish a sufficient number of ex-Confederates for Mr. Bryan's party, and that he should not seek men of that stripe in Colorado, which furnished no troops to the rebellion.

Somebody out in Colorado is coldly sarcastic at the expense of this reform administration.

ALEXANDER III, Autocrat of all the Russias and Prince of Penjdeh to Mr. Gladstone: On this plate we have hardtack and salt horse, a plain but sustaining diet. And here we have humble pie, and I beg to call your Excellency's attention to the singular fact that the crust is made of the skin of a whooping, howling, howling Afghan. To which does the British stomach more seriously incline?

Mr. Gladstone to the Autocrat, &c: Call your pie Arbitration and don't make too strong a point of the Afghan skin, and I'm yours.

GENERAL DRAGO, of Wisconsin, an eminent Democrat who did good service in the Union army and who fought gallantly for Cleveland at Chicago, has been expressing an opinion. Casting his eye over some recent appointments of the unrecruited, and bearing in mind the honor paid to the late Jacob Thompson, of Mississippi, General Drago said he guessed he would have to get his political disabilities removed. If the President can enjoy a good hearty joke with a little poison in the tail end of it, he can't help having a good time over this.

WEST VIRGINIA wool stands at the head. Here is what happened at the New Orleans Exposition, with the *Picoynne's* comments:

The big prize and first premium of \$50 on fine wool in fleece was captured by Col. C. H. Beall, of Wellsburg, W. Va., the wool competing with 150 fleeces from Ohio; also in the magnificent display of wool in sample, for texture and fineness of fibre, length of staple and beauty of design he stands at the head.

This handsome recognition ought to encourage our wool-growers generally to renewed efforts. Perhaps another West Virginia flock master will take first premium next time.

The *Picoynne* celebrates Louisiana day at the Exposition by printing its edition on Louisiana paper. Heretofore, because the crushed refuse of sugar cane stalks after the saccharine matter is extracted, has been thought worthless. It was difficult to get rid of it. The paper made from bagasse is strong, has a smooth surface and takes an excellent impression. The *Picoynne* says nothing of the cost of it. A company with a capital of \$200,000 is to engage in the manufacture, opening to sugar planters a new source of revenue, which ought to be as beneficial to them as the utilization of cotton seed has proven to cotton planters.

"Reader," who neglects to honor the Intelligencer with his name, sends the following: "In pretending to publish Henry Waterston's Washington letter in your issue of the 5th inst. why do you cut it nearly one-third of a column? Your contemporary furnishes a full text." There is such a thing known among men as the editing of a newspaper. The Intelligencer aims to give its readers something of everything as it comes along. It does not pretend to give everything in full. The news of the night is handled with regard to its relative importance, though it frequently happens that the best is important, when the element of time is an important consideration and the news condenser must be turned on full force.

In serving the news the Intelligencer endeavors to show no partisan bias—that is reserved for the columns in which the able comment appears. If "Reader" wanted more Waterston than he got, perhaps some other reader found in his favorite newspaper some things which our Waterston would have crowded out.

A BIG COLLAPSE.

The Wall of a Five Story Building Falls With a Crash.

Burying People in the Ruins and Setting Fire to the House.

A Terrible Scene of Excitement and Distress at the Place.

Frenzied Girls Jump From the Fourth Story to the Ground.

While Others Screaming for Help Fall Back Into the Fire.

No Estimate of the Loss of Life Can Yet Be Made.

New York, May 5.—Early this morning the two houses Nos. 55 and 57 Atlantic street, Brooklyn, fell in a crash. A number of persons were killed and others seriously injured. The Abbott buildings, on State street, which are let out with steam power for various manufacturing purposes, together with a building in the rear, were destroyed. The rear building was undergoing repairs. One of the props under the girders gave way when the entire structure collapsed, burying the workmen beneath the ruins. Fire then communicated with the front building, and despite the efforts of the firemen, the entire structure collapsed, burying the workmen beneath the ruins. Fire then communicated with the front building, and despite the efforts of the firemen, the entire structure collapsed, burying the workmen beneath the ruins.

On the second floor was a soap manufacturing factory in which were the furnaces for heating the cauldrons. The building took fire immediately, and a terrible panic ensued among the inmates. There were at the time 250 persons in the building, including many girls employed on the upper floors. The workmen in the building, including many girls employed on the upper floors, were buried under the ruins. The fire then communicated with the front building, and despite the efforts of the firemen, the entire structure collapsed, burying the workmen beneath the ruins.

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HUNGRY DEMOCRATS

WAITING AT THE OUTSIDE GATE.

The Eastern Panhandle Democrats Watching and Waiting—They Fear the Chances for a Diplomatic Mission—Civil Service Examinations at Martinsburg.

MARTINSBURG, W. Va., May 4.—Two months since the inauguration of President Cleveland, and the Democratic office seekers as hungry as ever. Yes, we might say, hungrier! Old trappers and hunters are accustomed, at times when food is scarce, to draw their hunting belt, a little tighter and pursue their tramp with as much nerve and endurance as if they had enjoyed a hearty meal. I would whisper a kind suggestion to the hungry Democrats, and that is: "Draw your belt a little tighter." Many Democrats of this vicinity are wondering whether or not the old sentiment, "The mills of the gods grind slow, &c.," has any reference to the present administration. They do grind slow, but not too much so for the boys who are in. Evans, Daniels, Yants, Bartlett, Riggs, Wisner (the editor's brother), Medall, all seem as happy as clams at a Rhode Island clam-bake, and as jubilant as missionaries awaiting to be roasted. The boys on the outside, though, are full of gall and bitterness, and wonder when the procession will move.

It is pretty generally believed here, that Mr. McGraw will not get the Collectorship until next winter. They do not seem to fear that if the President appoints him now the Senate will refuse to confirm him next winter. If this sentiment be correct and the harvest pass by without any official change in the position of Collector, the army of hungry Democrats will grow fat on the crumbs which are to drop from Mr. McGraw's table, will dwindle into nothingness and curse the fate which make it so long between drinks.

AMBITIOUS WEST VIRGINIANS. It is understood that Hon. E. Boyd Faulkner is still on the ragged edge of suspense. He is anxious to secure the Michigan mission; and if West Virginia is to receive a diplomatic post of any importance, it is to be hoped that the honor may fall to Mr. Faulkner. As long as charges have to be made and our country represented in foreign courts by non-diplomats, by all means let America have the best and fittest representatives. All who know Mr. Faulkner feel that in his hands the interests of this country would be upheld and protected with honor and credit. The mission pays \$5,000 per annum. But think of Colonel Faulkner's salary at \$10,000! A jolly nice mission, and guess who wants it? Judge Okey Johnson of the Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia. Wouldn't it be funny if we were appointed to go? I know that the Senators from the New York World and the Cincinnati Enquirer say that the administration has made some blunders. Of course it's wrong for Democrats and organs to talk in that way. I just inquire what the mission would pay? Faulkner were paid by the Government for services in the diplomatic corps. I was about to write it "corps" instead of "corps" but then it's none of my funeral.

CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATIONS. There will be a competitive examination under the civil service regulations at this place on the 10th. The local board will consist of Postmaster Evans and two of his assistants, Chief Clerk Bise and Miss Lon Darby, of the money order department. Chief Examiner Lyman will be here from Washington. It is thought that there'll be a class of some twenty or twenty-five to take a shy at Pendleton's civil service target.

Mr. P. A. Rohrbaugh has been elected captain of the Zouaves. His friends seem to be for service in the diplomatic corps. I was about to write it "corps" instead of "corps" but then it's none of my funeral.

Mr. J. S. Bowers, one of Berkeley's most prominent citizens, died at his home at Gettysburg, yesterday. Col. Frank Silvers, another well known and highly esteemed citizen of this county, died last week at his home in Gettysburg. He was a married man and had left his wife and three children in Baton Rouge.

THEY MUST GO. Ex-Comptroller Lawrence Thinks the President's Making Changes Very Fast. WASHINGTON, May 5.—I am a little bit surprised to see Republican newspapers taking the ground that Mr. Cleveland is not going to make many changes in officeholders," said ex-Comptroller Lawrence to-day. "I think he is making them pretty fast. It will not be long before all the heads of bureaus will be turned out, and Democrats put in their places, and the other day we heard of two chiefs of divisions in the Sixth Auditor's office being removed. Those places will next be filled after the heads of the bureaus are all attended to. You can't get any more changes than that, and I think the removals are made about as rapidly as they can be made, and the Republicans will all have to go. (I would not do the Democrats much good to remove ordinary clerks, for they could not be replaced.)"

NEWS IN BRIEF. General Grant continues to improve. An extraordinary attempt was made to turn the Children's Home, in Covington, Ky. F. H. Blyler & Co., bankers of Highland, Ill., assigned Assets, \$400,000; liabilities, \$900,000. The reports of a strike in the Tuscarora (O. Valley) are denied as without foundation. Work in the Navy yard at Portsmouth, N. H. suspended, and all employees discharged. Mark Vinnebeck committed suicide at Plymouth, Ind., by shooting himself through the head. Frank Miller was shot and killed by Wm. Scott at Indiana, ending a long continued quarrel. Richard Whaling, Postmaster at Goldsboro, N. C., was shot and killed by W. O. Blyler at Indiana. Charles E. Fuller, of Linwood, O., committed suicide through despondency occasioned by family sorrows. James Flynn was arrested at Lafayette, Ind., under suspicion of connection with the express robbery on the Moon route. The striking coal miners of the Belleville (Pa.) District, have decided to return to work, giving up the fight for higher wages. Judge William M. Merrick has taken the oath as successor of Judge Wylie on the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia. Meany, the man arrested in New York on suspicion of complicity in the jewelry robbery in Covington, Ky., and released on bail, failed to appear for trial. George A. McTourey has recovered judgment against the Chesapeake & Western Railway Company, in the Federal Court at Indianapolis, for \$320,825.60. Frank Miller, of Indianapolis, brother of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, arrived in Washington yesterday morning, and it is said will take a place in the Internal Revenue Bureau.

PANAMA, May 5.—It is reported here on trustworthy authority that a treaty has been concluded between the Government at Bogota and the Minister of the United States in respect to the territory of the transit across the Isthmus. This treaty is said to confer on the

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