

M. R. WEST, Local Editor.

New Advertisements.

Sheriff's Sale, Ring vs. Ring, Election Notice, Williams vs. Williams, Accounts, Judge R. E. Walton, Land Appraisers, Auditor Hoffler.

Premium List on first page.

No prisoners in jail at present.

Hay is selling in this market from \$8 to \$12 per ton.

See notices to stone masons and to bridge builders.

Sheriff Read took friend Williams to the penitentiary last week.

We are prepared to furnish Road Tax Receipts at 25 cents per hundred.

Mrs. Rebecca Miles, of Garnett, Kansas, is visiting friends in this county.

Mr. Taylor Joffers is the proposed nominee for Land Appraiser in this township.

Auditor Hoffler has a notice in this paper. Every elector in the county should read it.

A little child of Mr. Charles Black, of Beaverville, had an arm broken by falling from a buggy a few days since.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Hitz, of Barnesville, celebrated the tenth anniversary of their marriage on the 23d inst. Nearly one hundred friends were present, and the wife in all shapes was present.

A barn on the farm of Henry Miller, near Beaverville, was struck by lightning last week and destroyed.

Work is being pushed along the line of the Bellair and Southwestern between Beaverville and Armstrong's Mill.

Died.—On Friday, the 18th inst., in Washington township, DANIEL DEVORE, aged about 70 years. The funeral took place on the 19th inst.

Cornet Banks from Woodfield, Caldwell, Quaker City and Temperanceville attended the Williamsburg meeting. Our boys say they were handsomely entertained.

Dr. J. B. Williams, of Seneca township, has been chosen by the managers of the Ohio State Fair to serve on its committee on Hay and Harvesting Machines.

Our fishermen returned from West Va. ten days since. They report that they caught about 700 trout, and shot 7 turkeys and 2 deer, saw one bear, but failed to bag him.

General Ewing's great speech delivered at Lancaster on the 24th inst., will appear in The Spirit next week. Its arraignment of the Republican party and its acts is complete.

Democrats of this place who were at the Democratic meeting at Williamsburg on the 26th inst., report that several thousand people attended, notwithstanding the bad weather. Speeches were made by Generals Ewing and Warren.

The Democracy of Noble county nominated the following ticket on the 23d inst.: Representative, JOHN KELLER; Treasurer, G. W. WYCKOFF; Sheriff, DAVID RANDOLPH; Prosecuting Attorney, DAVID S. SPRUCE; Commissioner, Wm. SUTHERLAND; Infirmary Director, JACOB FOSTER; Coroner, A. J. DEAN.

It would astonish people to look over the tax duplicate and discover how poor some of their neighbors are about the time the Assessor comes around. An investigation of this kind would show that some apparently wealthy people are really on the verge of poverty. Along with the months of April and May.

The use of strong brine on fondered or hoof-bound horses is said to produce good effects. Apply three times a day, by washing the legs and pouring under the bottom of the feet, and holding them up a few minutes to let it strike in. Salt will extract moisture from the atmosphere which keeps the feet moist. Salt operates nearly like melted grease upon the feet. The hoof becomes tough yet pliable.

A disease has broke out among the cattle in Switzerland township, that farmers and cattle dealers know nothing about. To this time twenty cattle have died after being afflicted from the evening of the 6th day to the next morning. A gentleman named Crow lost eight head, several of which he had cut open and found their insides almost entirely dried up. Who, among our readers, knows anything about this disease?

A little son 2 1/2 years old of Mr. GEORGE WILSON, who lives on the Miron place on South creek, had a remarkable escape one day last week. The little fellow was playing near a well, when he accidentally fell into it and down a distance of 12 feet into water 3 feet deep. Mr. Wilson was called and said he expected to find his child dead; but when he looked down he discovered the child up out of the water with his fingers and toes holding on to the wall where he held on until his father descended and rescued him.

Married.—On June 24th, by C. M. BLOWERS, Esq., of Adams township, Miss THEODOREA PASCO to Mr. WILLIAM HOWELL.

On July 6th, by the same, Miss SARIE E. BRACY to Mr. R. G. MCGADDER.

On July 13th, by the same, Mrs. NANCY E. BRACY to Mr. JOSEPH SINDLER.

On July 24, by Rev. A. J. BARTLEY, Miss MARY R. REEF to JAMES M. CONLEY.

On July 10th, by Rev. JOHN MCKEE, Miss ANN LARSON to Mr. CHRISTIAN KWADEN.

THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE LEAF TOBACCO ASSOCIATION AT BARNESVILLE ON THE 24TH INST.

The proceedings of the Leaf Tobacco Association at Barnesville on the 24th inst., are important to dealers and growers. The reports show that the growing crop will not produce one-half as much as that of last year.

The suggestion that growers pay more attention to air curing their tobacco is a good one. Air cured, in good condition, sells at from \$10 to \$16 per hundred, while fire tobacco rates from \$3 to \$6 50 per hundred. By air curing one half of the present short crop, growers would realize a handsome profit on their fire tobacco. A certain amount of fire tobacco is required by foreign dealers each year, and if the amount produced does not exceed the demand, and it will not this year, growers and dealers will be able to fix a fair price and Eastern dealers will be compelled to pay it. Air cured tobacco finds a good market at Cincinnati.

The meeting called for August 12th at Beaverville, should be attended by as many of the dealers and growers of Ohio and West Va., as can possibly make it convenient to be present. Business of importance to the trade will be transacted.

The managers of the Stafford Camp Meeting are making extensive arrangements for the meeting to commence on Thursday, August 7th. Considerable expense has been incurred in fitting up tents, platform and enclosing the grounds, and to meet this it is proposed to charge 10 cents for admission during the meeting. The amount is small and those paying it will not miss it, while the aggregate sum thus raised will prove a great help to those who have, in the past, paid the indebtedness out of their private means.

Rev. RIDER, of the M. E. Church here, is prepared to furnish papers with tickets of admission. They can also be procured at the store of PURE & CASTLE and at MORRIS & ARMSTRONG'S.

The bonds were quoted in New York on the 24th inst. as follows:

U. S. Consols (1881).....104 1/2

New Yorks.....104 1/2

U. S. Bonds.....104 1/2

ITEMS.

The sermons of Talmage average thirty-five minutes in length. MEMPHIS merchants are opening branch houses in St. Louis.

White and black tilives are robbing the deserted residences in Memphis. The Richmond (Va.) Dispatch refers to Thurman as "our next President."

SARA BERNHARDT receives \$600 for appearing in a short play at a private house in Paris.

The Government has sent 1,500 tents to the citizens of Memphis and rations for 10,000 people for thirty days.

GREENBACK organs are fed by Republican money in hopes that votes can thereby be diverted from the Democratic party.

The New Haven (Connecticut) Union very sensibly advises the Ohio Nationalists to "vote for Ewing and Rice" as "the best thing" they can do.

The Superintendent of the Barnesville school gets a salary of \$1,100 a year, while the average of the other teachers is \$39 per month.

The potato crop in the south of Ireland has been attacked by an insect never before seen there and somewhat resembling the Colorado beetle.

Hon. T. T. McGINNIS, of Zanesville and late National Congressional candidate, has zealously espoused General Ewing's candidacy for Governor.

The National Leader, a Greenback champion, published at Columbus until recently, has been removed to Canal Dover, and now champions the cause of Ewing and Rice.

The Sentinel tells of a Harrison county man, 77 years old, who cradled 89 dozens of wheat during one of those dark, last week, when the thermometer marked the nineties.

The National party of Lawrence county, in County Convention, have unanimously resolved to vote for Ewing and Rice. The National vote of Lawrence county last October was 382.

EX-SENATOR RIMSEY, who never served a day as a soldier, has been chosen Secretary of War by his Prædilectus at Washington. Was there no ex-soldier qualified to fill the position?

The Republican papers are taking a great deal of trouble to belittle the people's movement in Athens County. It seems to be too big a thing to be disposed of by the ordinary pool-pool.

The McConville Herald says that Wilkes E. Bosman, of Blue Rock township, Morgan county, clipped this season 1,000 pounds of wool from fifty-one head of sheep, an average of nearly twenty pounds each.

It seems to be the opinion of leading army officers that while General Miles may achieve distinction fighting the Indians at the present juncture, that the chances of surviving to enjoy the distinction are very remote.

It is expected that Rev. Fisher will withdraw from the pastorate of the M. P. congregation here, this Fall. He has received several calls to other M. P. churches but as yet has accepted none.—Cambridge News.

"You bring much sugar on your spade," said an Attorney-General to one of the United States Marshals, who went in to win, and secured the election of three members of Congress, under the law to guard the parity of elections!

Down at Colquhoun when Charley Foster heard the drum and fife he remarked saying "left, left, left," and remarked that the music reminded him much of the time he went "marching through" old Seneca—hunting up a substitute for himself!

The Belmont County Teachers' Institute will be held at Martin's Ferry the week beginning August 18th. Hon. E. W. White, W. D. Hinkle, State School Commissioner, J. J. Burns and other distinguished educators will be in attendance. An examination of teachers will be held at the close of the Institute.

We are informed by J. M. Hixson, of the neighborhood, that Miss Mary J. McPeak, a young lady of 14 summers, and daughter of Enoch McPeak, of Londonderry township, has just finished a quilt, which was commenced on January 1st, that contains ten thousand two hundred and thirty-two pieces.—Cambridge News.

The news from Memphis grows worse from day to day. Preparations are on foot for almost depopulating the city. It would be no loss to do so, for business is already suspended. The warehouses are closed and the business streets deserted. To fight the pestilence or to escape from it now occupies all thoughts. The cities to the south of Memphis are enforcing a rigid quarantine. The line of the Mississippi river will be jealously guarded.

Our former fellow citizen, Hon. Conison Davenport, now of Kansas, is still wedded to the Greenback faith, but seems to be pleased with the nomination of General Ewing for Governor of Ohio. In a letter to a friend in Barnesville he says: "I congratulate you on having so able and honorable a man on your ticket for Governor. I look upon Mr. Ewing as one of the very first men of the nation, and if I was living in Ohio—strong Greenbacker as I am, I could hardly keep from voting for him."—Barnesville Enterprise.

CHILD DROWNED.—A singular and fatal accident happened near Temperanceville last Monday evening. A young son of Michael Pierce fell into a sloop barrel and was drowned without any one being aware of the accident. The family were at supper at the time the child was playing in the yard, when, without attracting any attention, he fell in the barrel which was sunk in the ground, and was drowned. This is the third child this family has lost by accident in the past few years. One was run over by a wagon, and another killed by a tree falling upon it.—Enterprise, 24th inst.

M. S. E. JONSON (Capulet).

The Cincinnati Enquirer went over into Belmont county a few days ago to get a view of the 200 German Democrats Republican say refuse to support General Ewing. He could not find any; but he found satisfactory evidence that Belmont county will give an increased Democratic majority in October.

OFFICIAL stealing has hardly anywhere been more openly practiced than in several of the northern counties of Michigan. The offices were held year after year by the same men, and the charging of \$2,000 a mile for a road across a smooth plain, where two men could build a quarter of a mile a day, is a fair sample of their rascality. A score or more of the thieves are likely to go to prison.

The St. Clairsville Cornet Band has been employed by the State Fair at Columbus. This honor was conferred on the Band without any solicitation on their part. One of the Managers of the State Fair heard our Band play at the recent laying of corner-stone of the Children's Home and was so pleased with their music that he at once set about securing their services for the Association, in view of the short crop prospects in the States, the Regis grades of corn, and the fact that the corn is so abundant, and we request our agents and agents in Baltimore to hold for that price.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of the Association, in view of the short crop prospects in the States, the Regis grades of corn, and the fact that the corn is so abundant, and we request our agents and agents in Baltimore to hold for that price.

Resolved, That the proceedings of the Association be sent to our agents in Baltimore.

On motion, adjourned to meet August 12, at the State Leaf Tobacco Warehouse, in Ballair, Ohio.

JOHN BRADFIELD, President.

F. M. AMOS, Secretary.

[Written for The Spirit of Democracy.] FROM WEST VIRGINIA.

ROCKFORD, W. VA., July 15, 1879. ED. SPIRIT: As there are a great many people in this county from Old Monroe, who have many relatives and friends left behind, we thought it might be a pleasure to them to read a letter from us through the columns of the 'Old Spirit.'

By your permission we propose to write them a few lines through this medium.

Although it has been a good while since some of us have visited the old county, yet we have not forgotten you. We often think of you and would like to see you and enjoy a friendly converse about the things that are past, about the enjoyments of the present and our hopes for the future, but we have no desire to return to make that county our home again. We have no idea that this is the garden spot of the world by a long distance, but we do know that it is a good place to live as we are blessed with good, rich land and good society.

The land of this section is a limestone one of the best quality, and not a bad limestone as some have gone back and reported. It seems that the land will produce any kind of crop or plants that we try to raise. This country is destined, we think, in the near future to be one of the leading portions of the Union. And we think that you could not do better than locate among us and procure homes while land is cheap and improve them to suit your different tastes. You probably would do better to locate here than to remove to the far west, and run the risk of doing better and being suited better in a country subject to fearful storms and ague and scourged with grasshoppers, etc., as portions of the west is. There is no healthier country than this that we know of this side of California or Oregon.

We raise all kinds of fruit usually produced in temperate regions, and there is an immense quantity of young trees planted every year. Progress is making rapid strides in every department of improvement. The wheat crop was good this year with the exception that it was not so good as last year, but it was a large amount sowed last fall. The corn never looked better, although not large for the time in the year. Farmers had a terrible time getting their corn to come up on account of defective seed and backwardness of the Spring. I selected my seed corn last fall as the corn was gathered and laid it up over the fire on the left. I planted about the middle of May and never saw corn come up better.

We have good society, the greater part of the people professing religion. Many churches of the various denominations have been erected within the last ten years. We have good schools in most parts of the county, four months in the year. Teachers are paid from \$20 to \$35 per month, according to grade of certificate.

But I must close, for this letter is growing to a greater length than we intended already. But a word about tobacco: small crop planted; cause, failure of plants.

Mr. Editor, if you think this worthy of a column please publish, and we will write you again some time.

ALANSON MARTIN.

[Noble County Republican, 24th inst.] SCARSDALE.—A little child about one year old, belonging to Robert Duvall, of Center township, was seriously scalped last Sunday by pulling over from a table a jar of boiling fat. Dr. Downey was called, and did all possible to make the little sufferer easier.

Silas Danforth, an esteemed citizen of Marion township, died at his residence on Saturday, at a lingering illness of nearly a year in duration. Almost to the last moment he was conscious of all that transpired around him, and died with the full hope of a life beyond the shadow of death. He was fifty-three years of age.

ACCIDENT.—Thomas Humphrey an old man residing near Cumberland, was swept from a load of hay, one day last week, by the projecting limb of a tree under which he was driving. He was seriously lacerated by the limb, and had an ear torn off, in his fall to the ground. It is thought he will recover.

A foot once more.

For ten years my wife was confined to her bed with such a complication of ailments that no doctor could tell what was the matter or cure her, and I used up a small fortune in hunting for a cure. On Saturday I saw a U. S. Boy with Hop Bitters on it, and I thought I would be a fool once more. I tried it, but I fully proved to be wisdom. Two bottles cured her, she is now as well and strong as any man's wife, and it cost me only two dollars. Such folly pays.—H. W. Detroit, Mich.

At Chicago, yesterday, 24th inst. Barus trotted a mile 2:17 1/2.

American support has been secured for the Darien canal project.

A water spout in the canon of Berne, Switzerland, recently, stopped trains, whirled masses of earth about and injured the crops.

(Written for The Spirit of Democracy.)

Leaf Tobacco Association. BARNESVILLE, O., July 24, 1879. The Leaf Tobacco Association of Ohio and West Virginia met pursuant to call.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The object of the meeting being stated by Mr. John Bradford, President, the reports from the different counties in regard to the acreage of the growing crop of tobacco, as compared with last year, were received, viz:

Belmont County, by Jos. Green, 2-5  
Cassady " John Bradford, 1-1  
Monroe " W. T. Morris,  
Noble " F. M. Atkinson,  
Morgan, " Hon. J. C. Murray,  
Washington " John Pool,  
W. Va., by L. C. Singleton and others, 1-1

The general condition of the crop is bad except in a few favored localities.

The following resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, Experience has taught us that when tobacco is cured by fire it has no market except for export, and when air cured it has the advantage of local and foreign markets; therefore,

Resolved, That it is the interest of the growers for all dealers to encourage, as far as practicable, the air curing of the present growing crop.

Resolved, That it is the opinion of the Association, in view of the short crop prospects in the States, the Regis grades of corn, and the fact that the corn is so abundant, and we request our agents and agents in Baltimore to hold for that price.