The Cairo Evening Bulletin.

OFFICE: No. 13 Tenth Street, Thornton's Building.

DAILY EDITION SATURDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 18, 1869. JOHN H. OBERLY & CO

THE OFFICIAL PAPER OF THE CITY AND COUNTY.

THE BULLETIN IS THE ONLY DAILY PAPER IN SOUTHERN ILLINOIS.

TO PARTIES DESIROUS OF REACHING THE SOUTHERN TRADE, THE BULLETIN IS THE MOST DESIRABLE ADVERTISING MEDIUM IN ILLINOIS.

Secretary Boutwell claims that, since the 1st of March, a decrease has been made in the public debt of $72,000,000, but he adds that the bonds issued by the United States in aid of Pacific railways, amounting to $62,625,000, being in the nature of a load, are not included in the foregoing statement. As they have always hitherto been included, the decrease in the debt is only $10,000,000—at which rate it would take nearly two hundred years to pay off our indebtedness.

At Milwauke, a few nights ago, a German laborer named Weber gave his wife a fifty-dollar bill for safe keeping. Not having had so large a sum in the house at one time for years, Mrs. Weber naturally felt very solicitous about its safety, and after much thought secreted it in the bowl of the coffee-mill, as a place not likely to be spied out by burglars. Her husband, on rising the next morning, ground the coffee as usual, and with it the precious earnings of months. The poor woman swooned on discovering the mishap, and has been confined to her bed ever since the unfortunate occurance.

GLAD OF IT!

That a speculator, at Lafayette, last week lost one hundred dollars, on an engagement with Mr. Petroleum V. Nasby for a public lecture. Anybody that would engage this disgusting mountebank, at any price, and inflict his dull, insipid trash upon the public, deserves to lose not only his money, but also the good opinion of decent people.

ILLINOIS ITEMS.

Matthew Anderson committed suicide at Stockton, Coles county, recently.

The Indianspolis, Bloomington and Western railroad has reached Danville. That city had delivered $70,000 in bonds to the road.

The free bridge across the Fox river at Ottawa, in view of the refusal of the people to pay the bonds issued for its purchaser, has been surrendered to the stockholders. It is an old structure which the city undertook to buy last spring.

John Gibon, who was on trial at Carlinville, charged with the murder of Wasson, has been acquitted,

A few days since a difficulty occured between Wm. Maddox, living in Morgan county, near Jacksonville, and his two sons and a nephew named Knowles, about some property which the boys had bought from the old gentleman, but had failed to fulfill their contract. A few days after this the boys got drunk and started for the residence of Maddox. As they approached, Maddox came to the door, when Lewis Maddox, his son, raised his rifle and fired, the ball entered the old gentleman's shoulder, from the effect of which he died a few days after the occurrence. The young men are all lodged in jail.

Building is reported very dull in Peoria, and masons and carpenters are unable to obtain employment.

The Rockford woolen mills, of Byson Bros. were partially destroyed by fire on Tuesday night. Loss $8,000; full insurance. The cause of the fire is supposed to have been spontaneous combustion.

The Trustees of the Blind Asylum, and the Adjutant General of the State have submitted their annual reports in manuscript form. They have not been examined by the Governor, and it is not known what they contain.

The bonded debt of the State of Illinois to-day outstanding is $5,104,759,64. During the last year, ending Dec. 11, 1869, $873,177,79 have been paid.

The examination at the Normal and Model Department of the State Normal University, at Normal, are in progress, many prominent individuals, including members of the State Board of Education, being present. The examinations indicate great progress.

A Commission has been appointed to condemn property through Bloomington, for the Howard, Bloomington and Mississippi railroad. The contractors have 500 men at work on this line between Bloomington and Ford county.

THE NEW ROAD FROM EAST ST. LOUIS TO CAIRO.

The Financial Chronical of Wednesday last contains the following:

During the past week a dividend has been argeed upon by the Directors of the Chicago and Alton Railroad Company of 50 per cent. of the present par value of the stock, on the payment by the shar holder of the company about 50 per cent on the dollar of the new stock issued—that is to say, to any holder of 100 shares of the old stock, 50 shares additional will be issued on the payment of $2,500. The exact times of the dividend have not as yet been announced, but we believe they will be substantially as above and money thus obtained will be used for building a branch road toward Memphis from St. Louis of 112 miles in length, which will be built by the company for cash, and the Directors think will be a very valuable addition to the enterprise. Of course with this dividend of stock there is to be the usual cash dividend of five per cent. payable in March. In 1858 the net profits amounted to $1,560,118 35. The earnings for 1869, to November 30, were $4,646,888 12, and estimating the December earnings at $361,700, the total for the year will be $4,708,588 11, an increase of $200,000 over 1868.

The Chronicle then gives an analysis of the earnings of the road to demonstrate the fact that the dividend named could be paid, and still leave a surplus. The Chronicle, however, has fallen into one or two errors. The road proposed to be built runs to Cairo, and not, as might be supposed from the article, on this side of the river and toward Cairo. Again, the directors have decided not to issue the stock, but to recommend its issue and submit the question to the stockholders, the charter of the company requiring the assent of three-fourth of the shares before any new stock can be issued. Neither are the terms exactly stated as the payments upon the new stock, if voted, are to be in instalments, the first being $2 50 per share—the dividend being only 47½ instead of 50 per cent. The fact is therefore that, if the stockholders of the Chicago and Alton Railroad so vote, St. Louis will speedily have a new connection to Cairo, by a road running through a region rich not only in agricultural resources, but underlaid with beds of coal, of a quality needed to develop our iron interests. This is a consummation to be greatly desired.—St. Louis Republican.

A few days ago, Tom. Groves, of the Evansville Journal, and Horrall, of the Courier, had a rencontre on the street, in which the Journal man came off second best.

A LITTLE GIRL BURIED ALIVE.

About four weeks ago a little German girl in Brooklyn, Ohio, took sick with the lock-jaw, and in a few days she was thought dead and was buried. On the evening of her burial, the mother, for some reason, was led to the grave, and, with her ear pressed close to the ground, thought she heard a noise and believed her child to be moving in its coffin. She withheld from asking assistance for fear of being ridiculed, and immediately procured a spade and began to dig up the earth. Soon she came to the coffin, and hurriedly taken it from the earth, opened it and there found the body of her child, nine hours after its burial, as warm as if it were alive, and lying on its side. She took the child to her house, where a physician was immediately called in and every restorative applied to bring the child to life. It was too late. The soul had taken its flight, and in a few hours more the body was cold and icy. It was soon buried again, and has not since been disturbed.—'Buffalo Express'

THE FAMILY MACHINE.

HOW THE BEST GOVERNMENT THE WORLD EVER SAW IS RUN—THE FULL BLOWN GENERALS OF THE WHITE HOUSE.

[Cor. of the New York Sun.]

The Government is run as a sort of family machine, where hungry incompetents are fed, clothed and uniformed at the public expense. It does not matter in the least whether they have been rebel sympathizers or not during the rebellion, like "old man Dent." To be of the family, no matter how remotely, is the first and greatest qualification, which supersedes honesty, fitness, and capability.

The President's house is no longer what it used to be. The Chief Magistrate is approached only through a line of "Generals." There is Gen. Dent, who is a sort of chief usher, and stands in undress to admit or reject visitors, as they may be of the faithful or suspected stripe. One class is handled by Gen. Porter, another by Gen. Babcock, and a third by Gen. Somebody Else, until the President is reached. All these generals are drawing pay, rations, horse feed, servants' wages, and other allowances, in the most delightful way for themselves. Who cares, since Uncle Sam pays the piper? The generals buy big houses, sport fine carriages, live on the fat of the land, and sing paens to the Commander in Chief, as the King's friends ought to do.

Gen. Badeau, who never set a squadron in the field but who notwithstanding, is a full-blown general, takes his ease at his inn, and lets diplomacy in London look after itself. While in England, he never pretented to do anything else than ornament the Legation—a duty for which he was pre-eminently qualified. In Washington he decorates the Palace, and draws his pay like a sensible and virtuous Second Secretary of Legation who has nothing to do but to air his official graces at two Courts. "Insatiate archer, would not one office?" Certainly not, says the redoubtable General.

When Mr. Motley was at Vienna he recommended that his mission there should be raised to an embassy. But the remorseless Seward would not consent, and rather rebuked the suggestion in his official reply. Now the cable sends over a rumor that the British Mission here is to be put up to a higher rank, with the expectation of course that we are to reciprocate. The milk in that cocoanut is very Viennese. Let us have magnificent embassies by all means, with the appropriate toggery, flunkeys, and swells to boot. And by all means let the elegant Mr. Sumner, in the pride of his Chairmanship of Foreign Relations, design the uniforms and order the gold lace for Motley, Washburne, Jones (not John of the War Office), Jay, Rublee, Schellaberger (Pœbus, what names,) and Company. The modest and retiring Sickles is partially provided in this line, but could be persuaded to undergo addition for his country's good.

CALLED BACK TO LIFE.

HOW A MAN DRESSING TO BE HANGED RECEIVED NEWS OF HIS RESPITE.

From the Buffalo Express, December 11.

Messner, the Rochester wife-murderer, narrowly escaped hanging yesterday, and, even with the respite, it is altogether probable that he will at no distant time be executed. * * * [About 11 o'clock the Sheriff, with members of the press and a few friends of the prisoner, went to the cell in which he was confined. He was being dressed for execution by one of the turnkeys of the jail, and as the party entered was assisting the turnkey to button his vest; his coat was laid across the back of a chair near by, and on the window ledge lay an open book of devotion, printed in German, and a photograph from the picture of the Virgin Mary. The unlocking of the door did not appear to attract his attention, but the tramping of many feet caused him to turn around with a quick, spasmodic motion; his eyes were fixed on the floor, and his teeth firm set; he evidently thought they had come to lead him to his death. He held out his hand to the Sheriff without a word, but expressing by his manner that he recognized the duty imposed upon that official. The Sheriff, almost too affected to speak aloud, whispered in his ear, "A respite has come; a stay of proceedings has been granted." Messner replied with a puzzled look, as though he did not understand, upon which Sheriff Sutherland said to him, "You still live. You will not be hanged to-day." Like an electric flash the looks, manner and bearing of the man changed; the firm set teeth relaxed; the eye, schooled to hardness, betrayed his emotions, and the blood receeded from his cheeks. His whole system seemed to droop; and slowly turning away, he dropped into a chair, with his back to the bystanders. Presently he roused himself, and while shaking hands with the people who surrounded him with congratulations, he said that he did not expect the respite; that he was prepared to die; and that he was even anxious, for in two or three months, if it was decided that he must be hanged, he might not be so ready. When Mr. Ripson, the lawyer who has fought the case through, came forward to shake hands with his client, the tears came to his eyes, his voice falted and he could not control himself to introduce Mr. Proctor and Mr. Chesebro, who had been with him to secure the writ. There were few in that cell who could contain their feelings, for solemn thoughts will come as one stands in the presence of a man whom the black pall of death has been folding, and whose life had only been saved by a few, a very few minutes. After some conversation in German with one or two of the people present, he was left alone with the Rev. Mr. Bayer, his spiritual adviser.

SOUTHERN ILLINOIS INSANE ASYLUM.

The Commissioners appointed to locate and erect a building for an Insane Asylum in the southern part of the State of Illinois, have selected a location north-east of Anna, and between that place and Jonesboro, containing 271 acres, purchased for that purpose for the sum of thirteen thousand dollars. Springs of pure water are found in abundance convenient to the building location, and quarries of the best white limestone are within two hundred yards. The water supply will not be less than eighty thousand gallons per day.

The architect is Mr. Thomas Walsh, of St. Louis. Mr. Walsh has earned an enviable reputation in his profession, and is known not only as a skillful and reliable architect, but one of extensive information in the constitution of such buildings, acquired both in this country and in Europe.—['St. Louis Republican.'

The location is south-west of Anna, and south-east of Jonesboro. There are 404 acres in the tract, which will be purchased for $13,642. Two hundred acres of this land is under cultivation. If 271 acres is deemed sufficient, it will cost a trifle over $8,000 for the site.

A WINGED GHOST.

CAPTURE OF A WONDERFUL SEVEN-FEET BIRD IN LINCOLN COUNTY.

[From the Stanford (Ky.,) Dispatch.]

Mr. James Pepples, living two and a half miles from Stanford, on the Duddera's Mill Road, is surrounded by a party of neighboring boys, who are fond of the sport of night hunting. Over a week ago these boys were engaged in their favorite pastime, and while absorbed in the excitement of a fox chase were suddenly startled by what they called an unearthly scream from some of the tree tops. Some declared it was a panther, some a catamount, and others believed the voice that of a female in distress. They agreed to approach as near the spot whence the screams came as possible, and took up the line of march toward the place. At each step the screams were repeated to the amazement of the boys, and if the truth must be told there was a preceptible terror in each one's voice, and daylight would have exhibited very pale faces. Guided still nearer by the strange noise, they directly heard the clank of chains, irons and padlocks. This was too much for youthful temerity to endure. They were brave boys, but demoniac yells from the tree tops, accompanied by this rattling music of the devil at the dreary hour of midnight, when ghosts, hobgoblins and blue devils stalk abroad, were fraught with too much impending danger to be relished even by stouter hearts and stronger nerves. They retreated like the "boys in blue" from the battle of Bull Run, in good order, and reported to the neighborhood the strange and wonderful sounds which had greeted their ears.

Mr. Pepples laughed at the alarm of the boys, but was still on the lookout for strange sights. On last Saturday his curiosity was somewhat relieved by seeing a *monster bird* something like the condor of Sinbad the sailor, alight on his barn. It gave a few of the screams which had so disturbed the boys and Mr. P. was satisfied he had found the ghost. He took down his rifle, and without precaution to put in a silver bullet, drew a bead on the bird, and it fell. On approaching it he found that only one wing had been broken, which the amputated. Now comes the secret of the chains. One foot had hanging to it a steel trap weighing about four pounds which had been evidently set for varmints. It had been there for some time as the flesh had rotted off, the trap only hanging by a leader. On measurement the bird proved to be seven feet from tip to tip. It was of a black color, and both similar and dissimular in many respects to an eagle. Its feet and the feathers of its legs, which hung about six inches in length, were those of an eagle. but the uniform jet black color indicted another species. At last account it was doing well and eating raw flesh with a voracious appetite.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

PHALON'S

"VITALIA;"

OR,

Salvation for the Hair.

For Restoring to Gray Hair its Original Color.

PHALON'S "VITALIA" differs utterly from all the "dyes," "colorers," and "restorers" (?) in use. It acts on a totally different principle. It is limpid, fragrant, and perfectly innocuous, precipitates no muddy or flocculent matter, requires no shaking up, and communicates no stain to the skin or the linen. No *paper curtain* is necessary to conceal its turbid appearance, for the simple reason that *it is not turbid*. It is, to all intents and purposes, A NEW DISCOVERY in Toilet Chemistry.

☞ Phalon's "VITALIA" is warranted to effect a change in the color of the hair within 10 days after the first application, the directions being carefully observed.

IT IS AS CLEAR AS WATER!

AND HAS NO SEDIMENT.

Price, One Dollar per Box,

CONTAINING TWO BOTTLES.

SOLD BY ALL DRUGGISTS.

If your Druggist has not "Vitalia" on hand, write, enclosing $1.00, and we will forward it immediately.

PHALON & SON,

517 *Broadway, N. Y.*

NATIONAL BANKS.

CITY NATIONAL BANK.

Cairo, Illinois.

CAPITAL $100,000

W. P. HALLIDAY, President;
A. B. SAFFORD, Cashier;
WALTER HYSLOP, Assistant Cashier.

Directors.

S. STAATS TAYLOR, W. P. HALLIDAY,
SCOTT WHITE, ROBT H. CUNNINGHAM,
GEO. D. WILLIAMSON, STEPHEN BIRD,
A. B. SAFFORD.

Exchange, Coin, and United States Bonds Bought and Sold.

Deposits Received, and a General Banking Business Conducted.

dec21'68dtf

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

—OF—

CAIRO.

DANIEL HURD, President. ROBT. W. MILLER, Vice-President.
C. N. HUGHES, Cashier.

Collections Promptly Attended to.

Exchange, Coin, Bank Notes and United States Securities,

Bought and Sold.

Interest Allowed on Time Deposits.

febl3dtf

ELECTION NOTICES.

ELECTION NOTICE.

The Stockholders of the City National Bank will take notice that an Election will be held at this Bank, TUESDAY, January 11, 1870, for seven Directors of said Bank.

A. B. SAFFORD, Cashier.

Cairo, December 11, 1869. d14-d1w

$15. GET THE BEST. $20

BUY THE ONLY GENUINE IMPROVED

ORIODE GOLD WATCHES

Manufactured by the

OROIDE WATCH CO.

They are all the best make, Hunting Cases, finely chased; look and wear like fine gold, and are equal in appearance to the best gold watches usually costing $150. Full Jeweled Levers, Gent's and Ladies' sizes, at $15 each.

OUR DOUBLE EXTRA REFINED Solid Oroide Gold Hunting Cases, Full Jeweled Levers, are equal to $200 Gold Watches; Regulated and Guaranteed to keep correct time, and wear and not tarnish, with Extra Fine Cases, at $20 each.

No money is required in advance. We send by Express anywhere within the United States, payable to agent on delivery, with the privilege to open and examine before paid for, and if not satisfactory returned, by paying the Express charges. Goods will be sent by mail as Registered Package, prepaid, by sending cash in advance.

AN AGENT SENDING FOR SIX WATCHES GETS AN EXTRA WATCH FREE. MAKING SEVEN $15 WATCHES FOR $90, OR SEVEN $20 WATCHES FOR $120.

ALSO ELEGANT OROIDE GOLDEN CHAINS, of latest and most costly styles, for Ladies and Gentlemen, from 10 to 40 inches long, at $2, $4, $6, and $8 each, sent with watches at wholesale prices. State kind and size of watch required, and order only from

THE OROIDE WATCH CO.
oct12 d&w6w 148 Fulton Street, New York.

CHRISTMAS TOYS!

New Millinery Goods, Etc.

MRS. ANNA, LONG

Has just received a splendid variety of Holiday Goods—EVERYTHING TO PLEASE THE CHILDREN, and very cheap.

Also, the latest Cloak, Sacque, Dress and other Patterns, for Ladies and Children.

New Millinery Goods, Also on hand.

BONNETS and HATS, Bleached, Colored and made over.

TENTH STREET,
del5-tf Between Washington and Walnut.

FOR EVERYTHING IN

THE BOOK LINE

—GO TO—

HANNON'S,

dec31'68tf No. 106 COMMERCIAL AVENUE.

HOLIDAY GOODS.

Confections, Toys, Fire-Works.

AMPLE PROVISION FOR THE YOUNGSTERS.

Go to 102 Commercial avenue and buy your holiday goods. P. Samp has laid in a stock in that line that has never been equaled in Cairo.

Confections of all kinds, toys in nameless variety—everything to please and gratify those who would observe Christmas and New Years.

Remember the place, 102 Commercial Avenue.
nov16dtd

FOR SALE, CHEAP—New Cottage and three lots, corner Locust and Sixteenth streets.
mar16dtf GREEN & GILBERT, Atty

D. W. HAMLIN,

DEALER IN

CORN, HAY, OATS, BRAN, AND SHIP-STUFF,

Corner of Commercial Avenue and Twelfth Street,

Cairo - - - Illinois.

☞ Keeps a full supply of feed, and is prepared to fill orders on short notice, at the lowest market rates.
Nov13 6m

STOVES, TINWARE, ETC.

A. HALLEY'S CHARTER OAK STOVE STORE

—AND—

Copper, Tin and Sheet Iron

JOBBING SHOP

No. 106 WASHINGTON AVENUE,

(Above the Market House.)

Roofing, Guttering, Spouting and Steamboat Work done in a neat and substantial manner, at short notice.
dec21'68tf

GROCECERIES, LIQUORS.

G. D. WILLIAMSON,

WHOLESALE GROCER,

PRODUCE AND COMMISSION

MERCHANT,

No. 76 Ohio Levee, Cairo, Ill.

Special attention given to consignments and filling orders. dec21'6

B. SMYTH & CO.,

WHOLESALE GROCERS,

OHIO LEVEE, - - CAIRO, ILLINOIS

Also keeps constantly on hand a most complete stock of

LIQUORS, WHISKIES,

SCOTCH AND IRISH WHISKY, GIN

Port, Madeira, Sherry and Catawba

WINES.

SOLE AGENT FOR

J. RIED & CO'S CELEBRATED WHEELING ALE.

We sell exclusively for CASH, to which we invite the attention of close cash buyers.

☞ Special attention paid to filling orders.
dec21'68dtf

WOOD.

WOOD! WOOD!!

J. W. TURNER

Is prepared to furnish

Good Hard Wood

At prices which defy competition, and also to

Deliver in any part of the City,

On the shortest notice.

Leave orders on slates at Halen's grocery, Logan's feed store, and Woods and Roach's grocery.
jan12dtf