

Ladies' Festival.

The Festival at Washington Hall, Friday Evening, we hope will be liberally patronized. We can assure all who visit such an entertainment simply for pleasure and amusement, that they will be abundantly compensated for attendance...

Fair.—The Ladies Soldiers' Aid Society in Montpelier are preparing an entertainment for New Year's night (Friday Evening) at Washington Hall, in aid of their fund for the relief of sick and wounded soldiers.

Third Lecture.—The third lecture in the course here, will be delivered by Rev. F. W. Shelton, Wednesday evening of this week, at 7 1/2 o'clock.

Left for Brattleboro.—Mr. Peck, Superintendent of Recruiting in this half of this County, sent 50 recruits this (Wednesday) morning, to Brattleboro.

The Veteran Battery, is, we understand, full and more so. Quite a number who have recently enlisted to go in it, have not been able to get in.

Narrow Escape.—The noon train going South, Monday, came very near meeting with a shocking accident. As it was passing over the Lamotte River Bridge, at Georgia, the tender ran off the track, but as fortune would have it, the coupling did not break, and thus the whole train was undoubtedly prevented going off the bridge, a distance of eighty feet to the water's edge.

The 5th Regiment.—Our readers should not be misled respecting the strength of the fifth regiment, by the telegram announcing the number coming home, only those who have enlisted having furloughs.

The regiment must number 700 or more now.

17th Regiment.—This regiment is making a little progress. Capt. Brown's company at St. Albans is to receive a final medical inspection Friday, Jan. 1.

LUMBER!

50,000 Feet of Pine Lumber FOR SALE.

These wanting Lumber for Doors, Sash and Blinds, Will please call and examine before buying elsewhere. JOSEPH BRADSHAW, Montpelier, Dec. 30, 1863.

LADIES!

A LARGE LOT OF Cloths, Suitable for Cloaks, Just received, and will be sold at VERY LOW PRICES. By calling early an EXCELLENT BARGAIN may be secured, at No. 13 State Street. Montpelier, Dec. 30, 1863.

GOLD PENS RE-POINTED EQUAL TO NEW, on the receipt of 25 cents. Circulars for the Johnson Pen, sent on application, by Mail or others. Wm. E. S. JOHNSON, Manufacturing and Office, 15 MAIDEN LANE, New York City.

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BY TELEGRAPH TO THE FREEMAN.

4 O'CLOCK, P. M.

Special to the Traveler.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30. The Richmond War of the 28th, favors treating with Gen. Butler for the exchange of prisoners.

The rebel Congress has placed the financial question in the hands of a special Committee and several new plans have been proposed.

The Whig opposes wholesale conscription, and says the country will not stand it.

The Whig says there is great mortality among the Federal prisoners at Danville.

The official report of the rebel loss at the battle of Chickamauga was 2,297 killed, 4,780 dangerously wounded, 10,000 slightly, and 1,900 missing.

Lord Lyons had a protracted interview with Secretary Seward on the Chesapeake affair, which may prove troublesome.

New York, Dec. 30. Since Congress has refused to pay the expedition bonuses, expected reinforcements have been very much discouraged, and hundreds are coming daily, to a few weeks, at the present rate, nearly all the Army of the Potomac will have perished for the war.

Some of the volunteers have gone to Italy, while a few have returned to the States. It is reported that several Wisconsin regiments are among the latter.

The Times' dispatch says the War Department has under consideration several important questions relative to the draft, which will shortly be made public.

The quotas of the several States are being arranged, so as to avoid difficulty in the future. The time fixed for the enforcement of the draft will probably be later than the middle of January.

The time for enlisting recruits in the regular Army has been extended to June 25th 1864, during which time the extra bounty of \$300 will be paid.

Fifty hundred and twenty Union prisoners from Richmond reached Annapolis to-day, being those exchanged by Gen. Butler. Of this number but sixty or seventy were sick, the others being in pretty good health.

The constant departure of troops who have enlisted for another term of three years service, is having great effect upon the remaining men who are eager to re-enlist and visit their homes on a furlough of thirty days.

Last night eighty-two rebel prisoners came from Camp Douglas, Chicago, to this city to enter the United States Naval service, having got tired of the rebellion.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29. Judge Taney is considered no worse this evening. He has been ill since Sunday.

MUSIC! BY MUSIC!

N. L. PHILLIPS, TEACHER OF MUSIC, and dealer in PIANOS and MELODEONS, (Barre, Vt.), has now on hand and for sale the great improved Melodeon, of all styles and finish. The reeds are brought to a wonderful perfection. The high notes resemble the flute so near that they defy detection. The low notes resemble the diapason to the pipe organ, and by the use of the new patent swell the performer can produce any degree of power desirable.

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Circular Board Mill Irons With Lane's Patent Hot Works, (warranted if desired.) STARCH, SAW AND GRIST MILL IRON. ROSES PATENT WATER WHEELS, RICH'S PATENT IRON BEAM PLOWS, COMMON LAND AND STATE HILL PLOW CASTINGS, CULTIVATOR TEETH, DISHING, CHINE IRONS, &c. All kinds Wood Sawing Machinery, Box Stoves, Etc. All kinds CASTINGS to order. Also, IRON ENGRS of new and various designs.

Farm for Sale.

HAVING been duly authorized by the Probate Court of Washington County, in and for the estate of Philip Starbuck, late of Galax, deceased, consisting of 225 acres of good land, lying in one body in the south part of Galax, under good state of cultivation. It has upon it good buildings, a large sugar orchard of 700 trees, with sugar house and good water running water in house and barn. The above property will be sold immediately for cash, or part cash.

LUTHER CONVERSE, Administrator, w43m2\*

CHARLES P. HAYDEN.

A PERSON of sound mind and a spendthrift, is under Guardianship and in my Ward. All persons are cautioned against harboring or trusting him, as he is not liable for his contracts, and I will not pay them. C. L. WILSON, C. L. W. HILSON, Montpelier, Dec. 14, 1863. w51w3\*

SOMETHING TO EAT

Beef, Pork, Lard and Hams CURED AND SMOKED BEEF, Veal, Lamb, Chickens, Turkeys and Geese Salt Pork, Corned Beef, Tripe and Sausage; Neat's Oil, Tallow Soap, &c. Always on hand, and served to order at the MEAT MARKET, corner of Main and State Streets. R. H. WHITTIER

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Farm for Sale.

THE Subscriber wishes to sell his farm, situated in the western part of East Montpelier, on the main traveled road leading from Montpelier to Hardwick. said farm contains 4 acres of good smooth land, about 11 acres of wood land, 100 sugar trees, a good dwelling house, barn, sheds and other out-buildings, good spring water, stock in the 30 and 1 barn yard. I will also sell hay, stock and farm tools, at a bargain. LEVI BAILL, Montpelier, Dec. 10, 1863.

NEW MEDICAL DISCOVERY, BELL'S SPECIFIC PILLS, the speed and permanent cure of Sexual Diseases, Urinary Discharges, Gleet, Seminal Weakness, Nightly Emissions, Incontinence, Impotence, Genital Debility and Irritability, Gravel, Strictures and Affections of the Kidneys and Bladder, which has been used by upwards of one hundred physicians with entire success—superceding Cubeba, Copaliba, Capsules, or any compound hitherto known.

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Testimonials to the Value of Laughing Gas.

MONTPELIER, Oct. 15, 1863. Having witnessed the effects of the use of Nitrous Oxide Gas in the extraction of teeth by Dr. J. M. Conroy, I take pleasure in stating that I think it one of the greatest improvements of the age, in the application of science for the relief of pain. It is used in regard to preferable to that of Ether or Chloroform, while the relief from pain is just as entire, as that of either or Chloroform. It is free from those depressing influences that often follow their use. I commend its use as a safe and entire relief from pain to those who wish to have teeth extracted and ever retain pleasing associations connected with the operation.

W. H. RICHARDSON, M. D. Dr. JOHN M. CONROY. Dear Sir: Having witnessed the effect of the Nitrous Oxide Gas administered by you for the relief of pain in the extraction of teeth, I fully concur in the statement above made by Dr. Richardson.

I further state, that this Gas has long been known to scientific men, and has often been administered by Professors and Lecturers, in all our Colleges, as a pleasant and amusing experiment. More recently, it has been extensively used by Dentists in various parts of the Country, for the relief of pain in the extraction of teeth, no injury from its use ever having been reported. I have no hesitancy in saying that I believe it to be the safest and best agent at present known to the Profession, for rendering the system insensible to pain under dental or surgical operations.

I. F. SKINNER, M. D. Barton, Vt., Oct. 21, 1863.

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Orange County Mutual.

NOTICE is hereby given that an association for this day has been made by the Directors of four percent on all the premium notes of the Orange County Mutual Fire Insurance Company to meet on the 30th day of May, 1864, at 10 o'clock, A. M., at the Office in Chelsea, on the 15th day of June next. JOHN W. SMITH, Treasurer, Chelsea, December 1, 1863. w37

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