The Middletown Transcript.

MIDDLETOWN, DEL.

SATURDAY MORNING, AUGUST 22, 1868.

FOR PRESIDENT,

HORATIO SEYMOUR,

OF NEW YORK.

FOR VICE PRESIDENT,

GEN. FRANCIS P. BLAIR,

OF MISSOURI.

FOR SHERIFF,

JACOB RICHARDSON,

FOR CORONER.

LAWRENCE PENDEGRASS.

Will Grant Withdraw.

The Washington correspondents of the New York *World* and the New York *Herald*, have both given currency to the rumor that Gen. Grant is anxious to withdraw from the Presidential contest, his journey to the West having convinced him that he stands no possible chance of election. The National Intelligencer, also discusses the matter. The report is that the lethargy of the Republican party, and the total absence of everything like enthusiasm, has discouraged him, and he feels that he would like to withdraw. But, certain leaders of the party, having "put their heads together," in grave consideration of the subject, have decided that "it will never do." The effect of such a step by Gen. Grant, upon the fortunes of the Republican party would be disastrous in the extreme, and it has been decided that it would be better for General Grant to "grin and bear it," rather than to retire from the field, and leave the fortunes of the Radicals to wilt and wither like a cauliflower in the sun. While some accept these statements as true, others reject them; but certain it is, that there is an air of probability about them, which challenges our credulity. "Where there is so much smoke," says the old saw, "there must be some fire;" but whether these correspondents have grounds for all they say upon the subject, the public have no means of determining. Our own view of the matter is, that it makes but little difference, whether General Grant withdraws from the contest or not. A survey of the whole field will convince the observant mind that his chances of election are very slim, indeed. The democratic vote, in 1860, was divided between Douglas and Breckinridge, while Bell and Everett were in the field, and drew off a considerable portion of the old line whig vote, that would otherwise have been cast for one or the other of the democratic candidates. Mr. Lincoln was elected, but he was in a minority of *one million* of votes, counting all others against him. Now, the Democracy are united, throughout the length and breadth of the land; the larger part of the Bell and Everett vote will be cast for their candidates; while they are strengthened by large accessions, in every State, from the ranks of the conservatives. The Democratic party, ever formidable in numbers, is now more formidable than ever, because it is not only united and harmonious, but it is buoyant with hope, and full of confidence and enthusiasm, and is greatly strengthened by large accessions from the ranks of the more moderate men among its former opponents. The current of popular feeling is setting strongly against the Radicals, as all the elections prove. Their Congressional policy is utterly condemned; their millions of dollars for the freedmen's bureau, to feed, clothe and educate the negro; their 50,000 standing army in time of peace, to "eat out the substance of the people," and to dragoon our southern citzens into submission to the negro; their assault upon the Supreme Court; their thrice attempted impeachment of the President and seizure of the Executive department of the government; their investing the negro with the power of the ballot; all this, and more, has aroused an indignation in the popular heart, that will not be appeased until the power of Radicalism is utterly overthrown.

This appears to be a legitimate conclusion from a calm, rational and dispassionate review of the whole field, and we commend it to the sober reflection and consideration of all Radicals who hope to buoy up the sinking spirits of their party by throwing up their caps and keeping up a delusory hope of the success of their candidates until the Ides of November shall effectually dispel it.

The Democratic State Convention will assemble at Dover on Wednesday next. There is considerable speculation as to who is likely to receive the nomination for Congress. The gentlemen named in the lists are—Hon. John A. Nicholson, C. B. Lore, Esq. Maj. B. T. Biggs, Dr. Swithin Chandler, James M. Johns, Edward Ridgely, and John H. Paynter, Esqrs. A nomination is equivalent to an election, hence a spirited contest for the honor may be anticipated.

As we go to press refreshing showers are falling, which will mature the corn.

Hickory Pole Raising at St. Georges.

The Democrats of St. Georges raised a fine Hickory Pole, on Saturday last. The pole was 109 feet long, and in attempting to raise it some of their ropes gave way, and the pole fell, coming in contact with Mr. Minor Harvey and Mr. McWhorter, neither of whom were very seriously hurt. Nothing daunted they took off a section of the pole, and set it firmly in its place, giving their bergee or streamer to the breeze, intending to re-splice and raise the entire pole at a subsequent day. The meeting in the evening was large and enthusiastic, and was addressed by Noble T. Biddle, Esq. of Elkton, and by H. A. Nowland, Esq. of this vicinity. The Odessa Band was present, and added additional interest to the occasion by its enlivening strains. The rearing of hickory poles was introduced as an electioneering feature, during the campaigns of Gen. Jackson, who bore the soubriquet of "Old Hickory," given to him by his grateful and enthusiastic countrymen for the distinguished part he bore in the bloody battle at the Hickory Grounds. It also possessed considerable significance as to the heroic character and stern nature of the man. He was tougher than hickory itself, for his enemies, though backed by the money power of the United States Bank, could never break him down. On the contrary, he vanquished every adversary, and bore down all opposition. Such is the significance of the Hickory Pole now. The Democrats mean to overcome the opposition in the present campaign, hence they are again hoisting their Hickory Poles.

CALL FOR THE REASSEMBLING OF CONGRESS.—The Washington Star, of Monday afternoon, has the following, which is not surprising in view of the desperation of the political element which undertakes to govern and perpetuate its power in the South:

"A movement is on foot among Southern politicians looking toward a call from the Southern Legislatures for Congress to reassemble in September. They profess to have no faith that the military will be used in good faith to protect the existing State governments without further legislation, and expect when the presidential election arrives to see carried into effect a most extensive system of terrorism and fraud. Several new Governors of Southern States recently made requisitions on the Secretary of War for arms under a law passed in 1796, but the Secretary has declined to furnish until farther legislation is had on the subject. The Governors, in consequence, have united in appeal to Congress to meet on the day to which they had adjourned to take action in the matter."

A meeting of the Democratic and Conservative citizens of New Castle County, will be held at the Court House in New Castle, on Saturday, September 5th, 1868, at 2 o'clock, P. M. to ratify the nominations of the late National Convention and our Electoral ticket, our nomination for Representative in the Congress of the United States, the Legislative and Levy Court Tickets, and Sheriff and Coroner.

STATE POLITICS.—The city election of Wilmington is held on the first Tuesday of September. The Republicans have made the following nominations: For Mayor, Joshua S. Valentine; for Alderman, Francis Vincent; for Treasurer, Geo. C. Maris; for Assessor, Daniel T. Hawkins.

THE NEW YORK DEMOCRAT.—"Brick" Pomeroy's new daily paper, made its first appearance last Saturday afternoon. Thirty-two thousand copies were sold the first day, and there was a demand for 10,000 more which could not be supplied.

ALABAMA PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS.—The Montgomery Mail, a democratic paper, gives a report that Governor Smith, of Alabama, will soon issue his proclamation for an election of presidential electors and Congressmen, at the regular time for election in November. The election, it says, will be conducted precisely as the old code directs—except that those hitherto disfranchised must file their application with the probate judge of the county before voting.

The President, in consequence of the shooting affray of the negro Zouaves in Washington on Thursday, has reiterated his order for the disbandment of the militia in the District. The order was given to General Grant last November, but he has not obeyed it, and the President has notified the Secretary of War of the fact. Instructions will accordingly be given immediately to General Canby. Seven of the Zouaves were arrested on Saturday and required to give bail in $200 to answer.

DEMOCRATIC VICTORY IN IDAHO.—Idaho advices of August 11, state that Judge Schaeffer, the Democratic candidate for Congress, is 400 ahead. His election is claimed by 600 majority. This is a large Democratic gain.

Hon. George H. Pendleton and General Tom Ewing, Jr. are to speak in Bangor, Maine, on the 20th instant, in Augusta on the 21st, and in Portland on the 22d, in behalf of Seymour and Blair.

The annual statement of the Post-office Department for the year ending June 30th will show a deficiency of $8,000,000.—This is partly owing to the restoration of Southern mail routes and to the subsidies for ocean service.

ENCKE'S COMET.—B. F. Sarda, Superintendent of the U. S. Naval Observatory at Washington, sends a communication to Secretary Welles, in which he reports that Encke's comet was observed there, on Friday morning, by Professor Hall. This comet has not made its appearance before for thirty years.

LOCAL AFFAIRS.

REMINISCENCES OF THE PAST.—A copy of the Federal Gazette and Baltimore Daily Advertiser, of the 30th July, 1796, has recently found its way to the office of the Baltimore Sun, which journal has made a note of its contents. The 4th Congress met in Philadelphia, and an act of that session, signed by George Washington, is contained in its columns. The latest intelligence from Boston was eleven days old, and its European news three months old. Among the advertisements was one of a book by John Hagerty, of Annapolis, "wherein are stated the disadvantages arising to the State of Maryland from the proposed law before the General Assembly in reference to the cross-cut canal between the Delaware and Chesapeake Bays." Wm. McDonald & Co. 203 South st. announce the "Philadelphia and Baltimore Water and Land Stages, a sailing boat leaving the lower end of Bowly's Wharf every day, (Saturdays excepted) stopping a few minutes at the County wharf, Fell's Point, to take in water and proceed to Frenchtown, where stages will be waiting to convey passengers to New Castle, and where another packet is waiting to proceed immediately, wind and weather permitting, to Chestnut street wharf, Philadelphia." There was another line of packets to Philadelphia via Bohemia and Appoquinimink, Mr. T. Robinson being the proprietor, who guarantees that "one week is the greatest length of time required for the transportation of merchandise or heavy articles from either of the extreme points of the line, although light articles will be delivered in four or five days after shipping." The contrast presented by these arrangements with the facilities for travel and transportation now, brings to our view the rapid strides our country has made in the march of improvement, within the 72 years which have elapsed since then, a period within the recollection of quite a number of our oldest citizens still living in this town and neighborhood.

RAIL ROAD ACCIDENT.—The locomotive "Thomas Clayton," of the 1.35 Express Train, on Monday morning, was thrown off the track, at Middletown, by the displacement of the switch. The locomotive ran into the platform and tore it up for several yards; but did no further damage. The speed of the train had been checked before it reached the switch, else the damage would have been much greater. The switch was all right at sunset, and it is supposed it was changed by some malignant person. Another locomotive was telegraphed for to Wilmington, which came down, and at 4 o'clock took the train on towards Crisfield. On the Tuesday night previous, some malicious person ran a wood car off the switch on the main track, and the approaching train struck it and knocked it off the track, doing no damage. An inquiry into these malignant acts ought to be instituted, in order to ferret out the perpetrators.

ELOPEMENT.—We learn that an Englishman named William D. Long, eloped with the wife of John Snodell of Appoquinimink Hundred, last Monday. The parties passed through Odessa, and contracted a bill at the store of Capt. Walker, the faithless woman ordering the same to be charged to her husband. They proceeded to Middletown, where they took the train going north and have not since been heard of. Mrs. S. is the mother of several children, and heretofore stood well in the estimation of her neighbors. Mr. Snodell is an industrious and upright man and is highly esteemed by his fellow citizens. Since the above was in type we learn that the faithless wife returned to her injured husband and children on Wednesday night last, and that for the sake of his children he consented to receive her back again.

REED BIRDS.—It is rather too early for reed-bird shooting, but we hear that the marshes of the Delaware begin to be thronged with them. Sora or rail, will also soon be in season. We have known as many as 150 of these last mentioned birds to be killed by a sportsman on one tide. What a luscious broil, or palatable pie they make. They command a high price in the city restaurants, and myriads of them are sent thither, where their bones are picked by the hungry denizens with great gusto.

ATTEMPT AT RAPE.—George Miller, colored, was before Esquire Black, at Glasgow, a few days since, charged with an attempt to commit a rape on a colored woman. The 'Squire wrote out the commitment, and held Miller in custody until late in the evening, with the expectation of getting a constable to take him to prison, but failing in this, the man was discharged on his own recognizance to appear before that officer on Saturday next. Miller lives with Richard Clayton, Esq. on the Manor. —*Gazette*

TRY IT.—Constantine's Persian Healing Pine Tar Soap. It cures pimples, itch salt rheum, sunburn, chaps, ring worm, ulcers, and all cutaneous diseases. Eradicates dandruff, blotches, and eruptions, and is the best medicated soap ever offered to the public. For sale by G. B. Thompson, Wilmington, Delaware, and by druggists generally.

DISCHARGED.—Samuel Hill and Benjamin Hill, brothers, committed to New Castle jail, recently, under suspicion of setting fire to the stack yard of Mr. Samuel Townsend, were brought before Judge Wales, on a writ of *habeas corpus*, on Monday last; and discharged after a hearing of the case, there being no evidence against them to warrant their detention for trial.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Kent Rail Road, on Saturday last, Isaac Parsons, Esq. was elected President in place of Wm. Janvier, Esq. declined.

The ladies and gentlemen of Middletown should not fail to call at the Academy and view Mrs. Bigger's beautiful specimens of art in the articles of wax fruit and flowers. She proposes to impart instruction in this beautiful art to a class in this place.

We took a ride, on Wednesday, in company with several gentlemen, to see the celebrated Peach Orchard of Mr. Edward C. Fenimore, situated in Appoquinimink Hundred, not far from the mouth of Appoquinimink creek. This name, we were told, is the Indian term for "Cripled Duck," but judging from the looks of the beautiful country through which our route lay, we should say that, financially speaking, there are very few cripled ducks there. Certainly Mr. Fenimore is not one of them, nor is he likely to be, while his orchard of 100 acres is as prolific as it has been for the last eight years, in no season yielding him less than $20,000, and some years rising considerably above that sum. When our party arrived at his wharf, about noon, he had just finished picking for the day, and his steam-tug, which he employs at $25 per day, was gliding down the creek with a schooner in tow, and 235 baskets of luscious peaches on board, bound for New Castle. His crop, this year, will amount to somewhere between six and ten thousand baskets, which are bringing him from $4 to $6 per basket according to quality, and earlier in the season they brought as high as $10 per basket. Mr. Fenimore's orchard presents a most flourishing and healthy appearance, and gives evidence of having received the most careful attention.

Some thief went into Mr. Charles Adams' Ice House, about a mile from Middletown, on Friday night last, and carried off, as he supposes, about three hundred pounds of ice. On Saturday night, a swill-barrel, which he had left on the premises of Mr. J. B. Deakyne, Middletown, was carried off. Not long since, Mr. Adams found one of his hogs nearly dead, one morning, from the compression of a stout wire, which had been twisted tightly around its body, just behind the forelegs. The presumption is, that it was the intention of the miscreant who placed the wire around it, to take the hog away. These parties may ere long find themselves in the clutches of the law, unless they refrain from meddling with other people's property.

KILLED.—The *Delawarean* says:—A white man named Joseph Oatten, a resident of Milford, said to have been a drunken, disorderly character, was instantly killed near Bower's Beach, last Saturday, by being run over by an ox cart. Outten, it seems, being drunk, got in the cart, which was passing him on the road; by some means he fell out, a heavy wheel passed over his neck and broke the bone.

There was a grand hop at the Pier House, on Tuesday night last. Sixty couple were present, many from this vicinity, and a "good time" generally. Another took place at "Vacancy Grove," on the Manor, on Thursday night. The last hop of the season at Collins' Beach, will come off on Thursday next.

Mr. B. F Kanely met with an accident in Middletown yesterday evening while driving along the street, in his buggy, his horse shyed and ran the carriage against a tree by which the carriage was upset and Mr. Kanely thrown out bruising him considerably. His harness was also much broken.

KILLED.—The *Delawarean* says that a boy living with Mr. Donaphon, on Mr. Charles Brown's farm, about four miles from Dover, on the Smyrna road, was killed last Wednesday by a kick from a mule.

The Democrats of Brandywine Hundred raised a handsome hickory pole at the Practical Farmer on Monday night.—They will soon adorn it with a fine flag on which will be emblazoned the names of Seymour and Blair.

ACCIDENT TO THE ODESSA STAGE.—On Tuesday the dash-board of the Odessa Stage was broken off by the ponderosity of one of the "solid men" of that town. The accident occurred in Middletown.

The Smyrna Circuit Camp near Blackbird, commenced on Thursday. There are two tents from Middletown, and one or more from the vicinity of Odessa.

CURIOUS DISCOVERY.—A gentleman in one of the Departments at Washington has made a curious discovery, which we publish below. He numbers each letter of the alphabet, and then adds the numbers corresponding to the letters composing the two tickets, Seymour and Blair, and Grant and Colfax. The result shows 177 for Seymour and Blair, and 140 for Grant and Colfax, the total being 317, which is the number of votes in the Electoral College; thus:

A..... 1	S.....19	G..... 7
B..... 2	E..... 5	R.....18
C..... 3	Y.....25	A..... 1
D..... 4	M.....13	N.....14
E..... 5	O.....15	T.....20
F..... 6	U.....21	
G..... 7	R.....18	A..... 1
H..... 8		N.....14
I..... 9	A..... 1	D..... 4
J.....10	N.....14	
K.....11	D..... 4	C..... 3
L.....12		O.....15
M.....13	B..... 2	L.....12
N.....14	L.....12	F..... 6
O.....15	A..... 1	A..... 1
P.....16	I..... 9	X.....24
Q.....17	R.....18	
R.....18		140
S.....19	177	
T.....20	140	
U.....21		
V.....22	317	Total number of votes in Electoral College.
W.....23		
X.....24		
Y.....25		
Z.....26		

Washington Express.

The city of La Crosse is pleasantly situated on the east bank of the Mississippi river, and is a point of considerable business. It has now between 8,000 and 10,000 inhabitants, and does a large lumber and agricultural trade, while its saw-mills and manufactories are numerous. It is the depot for the disposal of grain and produce from the valleys of the Black and La Crosse rivers, and has also an advantageous trade with Southern Minnesota. The city is beautifully laid out and is well provided with shade trees. The private residences of its citizens are models of neatness and architectural taste, while its business houses are substantial and elegant.

For the Middletown Transcript.

Advice to a Flirt.

Young man, have you a mother, a sister, or any female friend, who holds a place of esteem or respect in your heart? Then never again trifle with the holy affections of a trusting, confiding girl; never make her a promise that you cannot, or will not fulfill, and never give her a reason to indulge in hopes which can never be realized. It may be a matter of fun and amusement for you; it may enable you to pass many hours of pleasure, which you would not otherwise enjoy; but, ah! consider the cost of such pleasure; for what is mere sport to you, may cost life-long misery to another. Your unmanliness may sink deep in her heart, and turn the young life, budding with promise, into one whose every purpose will be turned from its legitimate channel into an existence without purpose, or even worse. Is there anything more despisable, anything that should call down the condemnation of every honorable man, more than those motives which actuate a young man in paying his addresses to a young lady, and monopolizing her time; being careful to show his better character while in her presence, and lead her, by every word of mouth-promises to believe that his affections are centered on her, until he has gained her warmest affections in return, and then declare he did not mean to encourage any feeling warmer than that of friendship, as if it were valid reasoning for one human being to sever the head from another's body, and then plead he did not know that the act would cause death. And how many young men resort to this practice to gain girls' affections. It is an every day occurrence, and an act on which fashion has set her seal of approbation. We need not go beyond our own circle of gentlemen acquaintances to find many of those most dishonorable "male flirts." 'Tis true, we ladies are not altogether free from blame for our patronizing air, donned for the benefit of all smart young men, who can boast of the number of their conquests and victims. We, perhaps, give the male flirts encouragement. Ladies are more confiding in their nature than the sterner sex, and trust in *man's honor*, too often, alas! to find their confidence betrayed. They are more gentle in their weakness and look up to him as the perfect work; when they are awakened and find they have treasured up a *false idol*, they are apt to give up to despair. When *you* meet with disappointment, young man, you have the world to go to in your despondency; you mingle with the grave and gay; in the many conflicting events of a worldly life your sorrow is soon forgotten. Not so with her. She cannot make another a confidant of her sorrows, and in her retirement she can but brood over your faithlessness, and taking *you* as a counterpart of the world, *doubt humanity*. Young man, what would your feelings be, were you to see a dear sister made miserable by one of those human vampires? Would it not wring your very heart in agony? Your sufferings are naught, compared with what hers would be. Then forbear. Observe the golden rule, which is—"Do unto others as you would have them do unto you."

INCOGNITO.

APPOQUINIMINK DEMOCRATIC MEETING.—A meeting of the Democrats of Appoquinimink Hundred was held at the hotel of Wm. Rice, in the village of Blackbird, on Saturday, the 15th day of August, for the purpose of selecting five delegates to represent the party in the Democratic State Convention to be held in Dover, on the 26th instant, when on motion, Joseph Roberts was called to the chair and Jacob Deakyne was appointed Secretary.

On motion, the chair appointed a committee of five, namely: Benjamin Gibbs, Edward Silcox, Joseph Hoffman, Alexander Deakyne and James R. Collins to report the names of five persons as delegates to represent the hundred in the Democratic State Convention to nominate a Representative in Congress and three electors for President and Vice President of the United States.

The Committee retired, and, after consultation, reported the following persons as delegates, viz.: Joseph Roberts, Jacob Deakyne, Joseph Hoffman, Samuel Townsend and Wm. M. Vandegrift.

On motion, the report of the committee was adopted.

Resolved, That the delegates this day selected to represent the Hundred in the Democratic State Convention are hereby authorized to fill any vacancy that may occur in the delegation.

On motion, the meeting adjourned.

JOSEPH ROBERTS, Chairman.
JACOB DEAKYNE, Secretary.

ST. GEORGES HUNDRED MEETING.—Pursuant to public notice, the Democrats of St. George's Hundred, met at the Hotel of Wm. T. Chance, in Odessa, on Saturday August 15th, 1868, when on motion Samuel Jefferson, Esq. was appointed Chairman, and Joseph W. Vandegrift, Secretary.

Upon an Election by ballot, Thomas J. Foard, Samuel Jefferson, Charles Beaston, Robert T. Cochran and Edward Reynolds were chosen Delegates to represent this Hundred in the same State Convention, to meet at Dover on the 26th inst. On motion Lawrence R. Davis, Thomas J. Craven, Thomas F. Dilworth, Henry A. Nowland, William Brady, James C. Matthews and Joseph W. Vandegrift, were appointed an Executive and Canvassing Committee for the Hundred. On motion the meeting adjourned.

SAMUEL JEFFERSON, Chairman.
JOSEPH W. VANDEGRIFT, Secretary.

A black snake of uncommon size was killed by Mr. Tilghman Nuttle and his sons of Caroline county, one day last week whilst getting timber from his woods. It measured 7½ feet in length 5½ inches around it.

ANOTHER VICTIM.—A Mr. James Reynolds, of Philadelphia, was drowned at Atlantic City, on Saturday, while bathing on the beach. His body was recovered.

The New Orleans Picayune says a large number of new buildings are now being erected in that city.

Items of News.

Advices from Mexico leave no doubt that the insurgents are forcing the government of Juarez into a straitened position. The Governor of the State of Vera Cruz had returned to the port of that name after having made an ineffectual attempt to capture the insurgent chief Prieto. The Governor's military and naval plans had all fallen through, although the French, Spanish, German and American residents were extensively aiding him to raise men, money and provisions. He had deemed it expedient to suspend the civil authorities of the city, and was expecting a reinforcement of five hundred cavalry under Colonel Jiminez.

A race has just taken place in the south of France, in the neighborhood of Toulouse, between two young men, the one riding a horse and the other propelling a velocipede. The distance traversed, seventy-two kilometres (forty-five miles,) was accomplished by the animal in 6 hours, and by the machine in 6 hours and 25 minutes. The latter travelled under very unfavorable conditions, having to contend against a strong head wind.

From Washington we have a contradiction of the rumor concerning the France and Prussian war cloud. No information has been received by the representatives of those Powers to warrent the conclusion that their relations were to be disturbed by war. The report that agents of the French Government are buying horses and forage in this country, for shipment to France, is also contradicted.

Mrs. Senator Trumbull died at Washington, on Sunday, about eight o'clock, at the Senator's residence, Capitol Hill. She had been suffering for two years past with an abcess in the right side, and had a surgical operation performed a few weeks ago, in the hope of removing it. The operation failed to give relief, and she sunk under her sufferings.

The bugs are said to have stripped whole potato fields in Ohio, leaving nothing but the naked stems—from these they assailed cabbage leaves and other vegetation—while the grasshoppers had levied on the clover fields, cabbage, potatoes, oats and timothy, laying low every stem, and leaving the fields as bare as a floor.

A letter from California mentions a remarkable horseback race against time at the Bay View Course, near San Francisco. The rider made three hundred mile in fourteen hours and nine minutes, and won his bet. He had thirty horses for relays, and got through without killing any of them.

The cattle disease has found its way to Massachusetts, and is creating great excitement among the farmers and butchers. Nine animals died at the Brighton market Monday afternoon, and five more died yesterday morning on a farm in Norfolk county.

It is currently reported in diplomatic circles that the French Minister has received intimations from home that war between France and Prussia is threatening. Baron Gerolt is also said to have expressed serious apprehensions on the same subject.

Fifteen hundred miners of the Mahoning Valley, Ohio, who have been on a strike for nearly four months, have agreed to resume work. The strike is a failure with them, they not receiving the additional 20 cents per ton demanded.

The national expenses are increasing every day to support millions of negroes in idleness, that they may vote the Radical ticket. The negroes are comfortably provided for, while the white man must work and pay the taxes.

An exchange says that "Dr. Manly, residing at Richfield Springs, N. Y. is 107 years old, and has drank half a pint of whiskey per day for 59 years." Well if he hadn't drank it he might have been twice as old, or thereabouts.

Brick Pomeroy has a statuette of General Butler with a spoon on his shoulder. He has placed this statuette in front of his office and written under it in large letters: "Thief, Robber, Woman Insulter."

In a recent thunder storm in England a soldier was struck by lightning and made blind and a woman who had been stone blind for eight years was as suddenly restored to sight.

Oscar Dalrymple, of Minnesota, who last year cultivated 1,700 acres of wheat, made $50,000 out of his speculation.—There is room in Minnesota for plenty more such ventures.

A late dispatch from Ottawa reports vague rumors in circulation of Fenians assembling in large numbers near Ogdensburg. The military have been ordered to be on the alert.

The Toronto Globe professes to have positive information of extensive preparations for a Fenian raid on the Province, and Canada is indulging in a "big scare" in consequence.

Eight thousand dollars in Government bonds were stolen from the house of John Miller, in Troy, New York, last week, during the absence of the family in the country.

The German North Pole exploring expedition has been heard from in latitude 74½, steering due north, clear of ice.

Ex-Senator Creswell, of Md. is announced to make republican speeches in Maine and then in Wisconsin.

DIED.

At New Castle, on the 11th inst. Mrs. Elizabeth P. wife of Capt. Robt. H. Barr, in the 75th year of her age.

At his residence near Port Penn, on Monday, the 10th inst. of consumption, Dr. John Alricks.

On the 5th inst. at his residence in Still Pond, Col. Jas. H. Gale, in the 79th year of his age.

On Wednesday last at Warwick, Jesse F. son of Jacob S. Hayes, Esq. aged 8 months.

In this town, on the 21st instant, Ellie, daughter of James H. and Ellie M. Scowdrick. The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral from the residence of her parents, this afternoon, the 22d inst. at 3 o'clock.

Fruits and Flowers.

DELAWARE AGAINST THE WORLD!!

NOW is the time for the ladies and gentlemen of Middletown and its vicinity, to call and see specimens of Wax Fruit and Flowers, at the Academy, and avail themselves of the rare opportunity of learning this beautiful accomplishment, in a class which will be organized in a few days.

Mrs. J. A. Bigger, is well known in Delaware and elsewhere, and can give best references as to capacity and justice, in imparting knowledge to her pupils. August 22—1t. *

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The Howe Sewing Machines are celebrated for doing the best work, using a much smaller needle for the same thread than any other machine.

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