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THE PIONEER HAS A LARGER CIRCULATION THAN ANY COUNTY PAPER IN THIS STATE.

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Christmas is off in Bridgeton, in good old fashioned style. Old folks and young, all seemed to be merry and happy.

In the evening the exercises of the children connected with the Commerce St. M. E. Sabbath School, attracted a full house, and gave general satisfaction.

Sunday School Exhibition. The Salem Methodist Protestant Sabbath School, of Bridgeton, posing giving an exhibition of declamation and singing on next Tuesday evening.

The Factory Bell of the "Cumberland Nail & Iron Works" is a grand institution, especially these cold mornings, when most persons feel inclined to remain in the arms of morphine.

The Winter term of Union Academy commenced on Monday last, under encouraging prospects; there being about seventy students, with three teachers.

We learn that among the papers on Thursday transmitted to the Senate concerning Mexican affairs, was the project of a treaty with Mexico, the provisions of which are of such importance that it is even thought it would, if confirmed, lead to the withdrawal of England and France from the Spanish alliance.

The attention of our readers who purchase goods in Philadelphia, is directed to the advertisement of Sharpless Brothers' Dry Goods Establishment, N. W. corner of Chesnut and Eighth Streets.

For the West Jersey Pioneer.

The second lecture, in course, was delivered before the Lyceum of Union Academy, Shiloh, on the evening of December 17, by Rev. J. Boggs of Fairton.

Gov. Olden, it is understood, will recommend that the Legislature, at its coming session, extend the benefits of the State bounty to the members of Halsted's and Bryan's Regiments.

REV. DR. WADSWORTH'S THANKS-GIVING SERMON.—The eloquent Sermon preached at the Philadelphia Arch Street Presbyterian Church, on Thanksgiving day, by the Rev. Dr. Charles Wadsworth, has been published in a very handsome pamphlet by Messrs. T. B. Peterson & Brothers, Philadelphia.

COMPLIMENTARY FLUNKYISM

There are kind people in Boston who would gladly send Mason and Slidell boxes of wine and hampers of game.

It comes to Harper's Weekly upon unquestionable authority that the men at Fort Warren are the most guilty—the not the poor ignorant soldiers taken in arms at Hatteras and elsewhere, but the great instigators and plotters and chiefs of the rebellion—

A few weeks ago Boston was struck to the heart by the disaster at Ball's Bluff. Massachusetts wept for her children—A cruel, utterly causeless war, waged for the meanest and most atrocious purpose, unredeemed by a solitary gleam of honor or dignity—

The first great point is to persuade the world, and ourselves, and the rebels, that we are in earnest; that we mean what we say; that we intend, at any cost of terrible and prolonged war, to defend the honor and maintain the integrity of the nation.

And yet when we have by a just vigor made prisoners of the men who are morally responsible for the Baltimore massacre, and for all the lost lives, broken hearts, blood and ruin, and agony of this war they are the recipients of such gifts from our friends as are only sent when we wish to mark especial regard and high consideration.

Two hundred and fifty Secession State prisoners from Fort Warren arrived on Sunday night at Fortress Monroe, to be exchanged for an equal number of Union men in the hands of the rebels.

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Many of the men who have been forced to arms to resist the machinations and foul plots of these traitors against the peace and welfare of the country are captured also and by the party of the traitors. How are they treated? Colonel Corcoran is in a felon's cell.

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On arriving in that vicinity they encountered the enemy, who had four regiments of infantry, composed of South Carolinians, Alabamians and Kentuckians with one battery of six pieces and a regiment of cavalry under the command of General Stewart.

The only troops on our part engaged in the affair at Drainsville were General Ord's brigade, the 1st Regiment of Rifles and Easton's battery of four guns.

At four o'clock, after the action, General McCalls sent two officers to count the rebels who were killed and wounded, and it was ascertained that they left on the field five hundred killed and twenty-two wounded.

Oh, but the rebels will retaliate! What! they will retaliate? Will they secure six, light, warm, good food, clothes, books and correspondence to our friends in their hands? No, such a thing!

MASON AND SLIDELL

It is advantageous to the cause of the Nation that Capt. Walker was enabled to capture the two traitors who were on board of an English steam vessel, bound to England, one destined to the court of Great Britain, and the other to the court of France, to represent the wishes of the slave-smoked rebels to be a Nation.

The sternest justice is compatible with the utmost humanity. Whatever their ultimate fate may be, while the men at Fort Warren are not made to feel—

The news is greatly diversified by cheering intelligence from several quarters. In Missouri a series of very decided successes has been gained over the rebels. In addition to General Pope's brilliant maneuver near Clinton we now have intelligence that another portion of his command, under Col. Davis, surprised a second rebel camp on the evening of the 18th, near Milford.

We receive intelligence from Beaufort from rebel sources, by way of Fortress Monroe, to the effect that the National forces, on the 15th inst., advanced their position to near Port Royal Ferry, and crossed the ferry under cover of artillery, destroying several rifle pits in the advance.

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One word relative to the dispatches carried by Messrs. Slidell and Mason. Reports first told us that they had escaped by another vessel, and then we heard that Captain Wilkes was in possession of them. I know not how this may be, but Mrs. Slidell, who has arrived in this city, tells her friends that her husband entrusted the dispatches to her keeping, with a large piece of lead attached to them, and to be thrown into the sea in case of necessity for so doing, but that she brought them safely through on her own person, and delivered them here in Paris.

The Army of the Potomac. SUCCESSFUL ENGAGEMENT WITH THE REBELS. FIGHT AT DRAINSVILLE.

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HOUSE

In the House a bill was introduced and referred donating land to States for founding agricultural colleges. Bills were also introduced providing for the relief of Union soldiers now prisoners in the rebel States, and for the establishment of a branch mint in Nevada territory.

The Death of Prince Albert

The steamer Persia brings us the sad and unexpected intelligence that Prince Albert, consort of Queen Victoria, died of gastric fever, at noon on Sunday, the 15th inst. He was born at Rosenau, August 26, 1819, and was the second son of Baron, Duke of Saxe-Coburg Gotha.

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Philadelphia Grain Market. White Wheat 1.45, Red Wheat 1.35, Corn 84, Rye 84, Oats 40.

MARRIED. In Bridging Creek, on the 11th inst., by the Rev. Henry W. Webber, Mr. Arch C. Lore.

Dissemination of Co-Partnership. Notice is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing under the firm of Jure & Sheppard, is this day dissolved by mutual consent.

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WEST JERSEY RAILROAD CO. NOTICE. The West Jersey Railway are prepared to transport mail from the Station near Trenton to all points on the line of their road.

DIED. Near Bridgeton, on the 22d inst., Hester H. Bacon in the 61st year of his age.

THE SONG OF OAK HALL. Hark ye citizens one and all! Light to the song of the Oak Hall!

TRUTH IS MIGHTY. And must prevail—People will go now-adays where they can get solid truth.

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MUSICAL CONVENTION. TO CONCLUDE WITH A GRAND CONCERT! Let their be a grand turnout from all parts of the County.

A Good and Noble Cause. GRAND DEMONSTRATION! A Meeting of the people at Grosscup's Hall.

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FOR SALE! One STEAM ENGINE, of five horse power, and one MARKET WAGON. Enquire of J. WHIPPLE, At the BONE Factory, near the Rolling Mill.

Law Partnership. THE subscribers have entered into partnership for the transaction of Legal Business, under the firm of Nixon & Mitchell, and will attend the Courts in the Counties of Cumberland, Salem and Cape May.

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