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POLITICS.

What an incomprehensible mystery! What a study for the student who wishes to obtain discipline of mind by unravelling something as intricate as a Greek verb!

Politics is defined to be the science of government. A new definition is needed for this age of the world—something like the following:—The science of aiding one's own interest by obtaining an office in the government.

As the Poet expresses it: The world advanced and the world went down. The laws which in our father's days were best.

Scientific American.

The publishers of this valuable Scientific Journal announce that the tenth volume will commence on the 1st of January next.

THE MARL RAILROAD. At the session of the legislature last winter, an act was passed incorporating the "West Jersey Marl and Transportation Company."

The object of this association is to open up the extensive marl region along the West Jersey Railroad, to the agricultural region through which that road and its branches pass.

Godey's Lady's Book.

The January number of this deservedly popular Magazine has already made its appearance. It is unsurpassed by any other monthly in literary excellence.

This week we record the death of Mr. Henry Mulford. Mr. M. was one of the oldest citizens of Bridgeton, and extensively known in this part of the State.

Lanch of the Dictator.

The iron-clad Dictator was successfully launched in New York, on Saturday morning, Mr. Ericsson, Mr. Fox (Assistant Secretary of the Navy), Admiral Gregory, Capt. Worden, and a number of other distinguished citizens.

Large Hogs.

On Monday last two hogs raised by Mr. B. F. Maul, of Greenwich were slaughtered. One weighed 597 lbs the other, 600 lbs. This is pretty good for the first of the season.

On Wednesday last, Capt. Ehan Harris left Bridgeton with fifty more volunteers for Col. Morrisons Regiment, now in Trenton.

CARRIER'S ADDRESS.

By tacking up a liberal mood; Now take the hint that I address you, My modesty forbids to press you,

From Charleston.

The Richmond Enquirer of the 28th of December, contains despatches from Charleston to the 27th, from which it is apparent that the shelling of the city by Gen. Gillmore is no longer a subject of merit with the rebels and is not unattended by serious results.

From Washington we learn that a portion of Gen. Averill's expedition, who successfully destroyed the rebel communications on the Virginia and Tennessee Railroad, concerning whose safety some fears have been expressed, has returned to Harper's Ferry without the loss of a man.

Suspicious Death at Trenton.

At Trenton yesterday, the body of a Mrs. Seeger, wife of a returned soldier, was found hanging by the neck, in the cellar, so that her toes touched the ground.

Philadelphia Oyster Boats Captured.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—It is reported that last week, nine oyster boats mostly belonging to Philadelphia, while dredging for oysters near Port Opatuk Creek, York River, were captured by the rebels.

Prices at Richmond.

At Richmond, last week, gold was bringing 19 to 20 for one of Confederate currency. A pile sold for \$20 to \$70 a barrel; bacon 30c per lb; beans \$25 to \$28 per bushel; butter \$4 to \$4.25 per lb; coffee \$11 per bushel; coffee \$4 to \$4.25 per lb; corn \$1.10 to \$1.15 per bushel; lard \$5 per lb; molasses \$4 to \$4.15 per gallon; oats \$6 to \$6.25 per bushel; rice \$1.75 to \$1.80 per bushel; sugar \$22 to \$23 per cwt; wheat \$1.65 to \$1.75 per bushel; wool \$1.40 to \$1.50 per barrel; whiskey \$50 to \$55 per gallon.

Coal Prospects.

It is a great relief to observe the indications that are now apparent of a decline in the price of Coal, which has been threatening to overreach the ability of the poorer classes to purchase. The recent sales of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Company in New York, which in some measure influence the market, have shown a very decided tendency toward lower prices, and the coal producers at the mines, as well as the railway companies which transport this fuel to the seaboard, it is to be hoped have at last awakened to the fact that the imposition of exorbitant rates will endanger if not destroy their business.

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Calendar table for 1864, showing days of the week and months.

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