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Business Directory.

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All kinds of WOOL AND ZEPHYRS FOR KNITTING, &c. Hosiery, Gloves and Handkerchiefs.

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WEST JERSEY ACADEMY.

Bridgeton, N. J. JOHN GOSMAN, A. M., PRINCIPAL. T. S. LITTLE, A. B., CLERK.

UNITED STATES HOTEL.

BEACH STREET, BRIDGETON. Opposite the N. Y. & N. W. Railroad.

WILLIAM E. POTTER, ATTORNEY-AT-LAW AND SOLICITOR IN CHANCERY.

Office, West side of Laurel Street, two doors South of Commercial Hotel.

GROCERY & PROVISION.

W. J. SHEPPARD, OFFICE ON COMMERCIAL ST., BRIDGETON, N. J. Would inform his friends and the public in general.

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THE VETOS OF THE PRESIDENT.

However we may differ with Mr. Johnson upon the principles of the bills vetoed by him, there is one feature presented by him for which we accord him the profoundest respect. That principle is the danger of increasing the power of patronage already enormously overgrown in the hands of the President. There are few European monarchs now who possess more real power than is lodged in the hands of the one man who may for the time occupy that position. The veto power is immense, enabling a President, at any time, to override the legislation of anything less than two-thirds of Congress, and the power of appointing federal officers who are already nearly as numerous as Egyptian locusts, is one that cannot safely be left in the hands of any one man, because the interest of every one of these office holders is pledged to sustain any policy the chieftain may direct. There is a direct temptation to the executive himself to create offices for the mere purpose of securing the success of particular measures, as in the time of Buchanan when hundreds of men were employed in the different navy yards who did no work but vote; and such temptations ought not to be in their way. Either the Freedmen's Bureau or civil rights bill would place an army of men under the direct control of the President, and secure to him an amount of power under which it would be difficult to look without apprehension. Andrew Johnson is a difficult problem to solve, but in this matter there is evidently an honesty of purpose for which we, as an independent journalist, can afford to give him the sincerest credit. We have not yet seen enough to convince us that Andrew Johnson has gone over to the rebels, and we begin to believe that, although passionate and injudicious in his speeches, his action will be that of a conservative friend of the Union. We interpret Mr. Johnson, latterly, not so much by what he says as by what he does not say, and that reference interpreted more fully still by what he does, and what he does not do. Certain it is that the Freedmen's bureau still exists, and that the military power is still exerted over the rebellious districts of the South. It is also true that Mr. Johnson does not ask for the admission of red handed rebels to the national councils, nor does he receive very flattering delegations of those who have heretofore stood in political opposition to the party by which he was elected. Upon two grand questions, the status of the Freedmen and the speedy restoration of the Southern States, Mr. Johnson stands in open opposition to the Congress. We have before expressed the conviction that a practical obstruction of all legislation upon the question might not in the end be a disadvantage, and advancing time strengthens the sentiment. But, while doubting whether Mr. Johnson has the best conception of the true policy to be pursued at this crisis, we have no hesitation in commending the patriotism which refuses to centralize so immense an amount of power as these bills give into the hands of any one man, and for this we accord to the President our heartiest respect.

The Committee on Reconstruction.

Committees generally are created, exist awhile, discharge their functions, report, die, and are forgotten. The most important committees of the country have met no better fate. But this committee, both from the important nature of its functions, the laudations of its friends, and the attacks of the President, is likely to survive as an integral portion of our national history. In our own opinion, such a committee was essentially necessary as this period. The issue raised by Congress as to who has the right to declare the status of that part of the country lately in insurrection, cannot be evaded or questioned. The President has these issues forced upon him during the interim of Congress, but as he is simply their executive, it is a fallacy to say that he could shape the legislation of the country in such a manner that the representatives of the people should be forced to accept his views. The responsibilities which he was compelled to assume, so far as they related to the mere carrying on of the country up to the period of their assembling, it was their duty to sanction, and they were accordingly so sanctioned; but where he had overstepped his prerogative, and directed the legislation of the rebellious districts, it was clearly the right of Congress to judge whether they would give their approval or otherwise. It was for this purpose the Reconstruction committee was created. There is no power confided to it except the mere collection of testimony, which testimony is to be reported to Congress, and there the functions of the committee end. Bearing this in mind, it was as unjust in the President to stigmatize it as a "Central Directory" as it was in Mr. Stevens to compare him with Charles the First. That committee has gone on patiently collecting from all available sources—from private citizens of the South, from northern men who had travelled in the South, from the military commanders of the southern States, from the military men who have been traveling in the Southern States, from the officers of the defeated rebel army, including Gen. Lee, from the men elected by the Southern people to Congress, from the Freedmen's Bureau, and from the records of the different departments, a mass of testimony which will probably settle the question in the minds of the American people as to whether these Southern States are to be reconstituted in their willingness to act in harmony with the Union, to be entitled to the resumption of those rights which their treason

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STEAMBOAT FOR BRIDGETON.

The Patent, which formerly ran between Bridgeton and Philadelphia, has lately been purchased by a stock company principally of this City and County. Her name has been changed to the Cumberland, which we think much better and more appropriate than the old name. She is now being repaired in good style, by giving her a large engine, and a first of next month. She will be commanded by James McIntyre, Captain; Henry Ogden, Clerk; Michael Emmal, Pilot; and Martin Corson, Engineer. James Dally will have an express connected with the boat. The officers are interested in the success of the boat; the stockholders are numerous and will be interested. Competent managers will give success, the Cumberland will pay as she is in good hands.

NEW GROCERY STORE.

By reference to advertisement in another column it will be seen that Mr. Robert H. Darr has opened a new Grocery Store in this City, at the old stand formerly occupied by Fillion & Hood, where he has on hand a large and superior stock of choice Groceries, and everything in his line, which he is disposing of on the most reasonable terms. Quick sales and small profits is his motto, and who will purchase there may depend on getting the worth of their money. Goods delivered in any part of the City free of charge. Country produce taken for trade or cash. Mr. Darr is favorably known in this community, and deserves a liberal share of patronage, which he will no doubt receive.

Election of School Trustees.

The election of School Trustees for the first and second wards of this City, took place on Monday evening last, at the Public School room. There was a large attendance and considerably interesting contest. A resolution was offered requesting the Trustees to employ a mate teacher as Principal of the School. This created quite a discussion, and did not prevail. The following named gentlemen were elected Trustees: T. G. Compton, S. G. Porch, and Henry Lupton. Mr. Lupton was re-elected, his having expired—U. D. Woodruff having resigned, and J. J. Reeves having left the City. The vacancies were filled as above named.

Group.

Almost daily we are called upon to chronicle the death of some loved one, by this dread disease, which often takes its victim away from this world with only very short notice. Every mother should supply herself with Cook's Cough Balsam, for it is no exaggeration to say that it is the only remedy in every one's household, if taken in season. It is a powerful effect, it being perfectly harmless. In cases of cough, hoarseness or tickling in the throat, it has no equal.

Unrepresented.

The shares of the Bridgeton Saving Fund and Building Association, on Monday evening last, brought \$102 premium. This is the highest figure yet reached in the history of Building Associations in this place.

Great Reduction of Prices at G. K. Bishop's.

SALE OF THE HARNESS MANUFACTORY, in Commerce St. at the old store, where may be seen R. P. Fillion & Son's, and other harnesses, collars and neckties, and a large assortment of Whips, Brushes, Curry Combs, Leather and other goods, at a great reduction of prices. Also a few Buffalo Robes and Horse Covers on hand, offered at a low price. The best experienced saddlers in this State, G. K. Bishop, N. J., 20th St., Philadelphia, Pa.

TOWNSHIP STATEMENTS.

We remind the Township Clerks, that a law has been passed which requires them to publish in the County papers a full statement of the receipts and expenditures of the Township, under a penalty of fifty dollars. This is a measure which the people are interested in, and have a right to know something about it, and all the Township Clerks of this County will no doubt do their duty, and then if the people do not see the statements it will be because they neglect to read the papers. About three weeks yet remain fixed by law for their publication.

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NEW GROCERY STORE.

By reference to advertisement in another column it will be seen that Mr. Robert H. Darr has opened a new Grocery Store in this City, at the old stand formerly occupied by Fillion & Hood, where he has on hand a large and superior stock of choice Groceries, and everything in his line, which he is disposing of on the most reasonable terms. Quick sales and small profits is his motto, and who will purchase there may depend on getting the worth of their money. Goods delivered in any part of the City free of charge. Country produce taken for trade or cash. Mr. Darr is favorably known in this community, and deserves a liberal share of patronage, which he will no doubt receive.

Election of School Trustees.

The election of School Trustees for the first and second wards of this City, took place on Monday evening last, at the Public School room. There was a large attendance and considerably interesting contest. A resolution was offered requesting the Trustees to employ a mate teacher as Principal of the School. This created quite a discussion, and did not prevail. The following named gentlemen were elected Trustees: T. G. Compton, S. G. Porch, and Henry Lupton. Mr. Lupton was re-elected, his having expired—U. D. Woodruff having resigned, and J. J. Reeves having left the City. The vacancies were filled as above named.

Group.

Almost daily we are called upon to chronicle the death of some loved one, by this dread disease, which often takes its victim away from this world with only very short notice. Every mother should supply herself with Cook's Cough Balsam, for it is no exaggeration to say that it is the only remedy in every one's household, if taken in season. It is a powerful effect, it being perfectly harmless. In cases of cough, hoarseness or tickling in the throat, it has no equal.

Unrepresented.

The shares of the Bridgeton Saving Fund and Building Association, on Monday evening last, brought \$102 premium. This is the highest figure yet reached in the history of Building Associations in this place.

Great Reduction of Prices at G. K. Bishop's.

SALE OF THE HARNESS MANUFACTORY, in Commerce St. at the old store, where may be seen R. P. Fillion & Son's, and other harnesses, collars and neckties, and a large assortment of Whips, Brushes, Curry Combs, Leather and other goods, at a great reduction of prices. Also a few Buffalo Robes and Horse Covers on hand, offered at a low price. The best experienced saddlers in this State, G. K. Bishop, N. J., 20th St., Philadelphia, Pa.

TOWNSHIP STATEMENTS.

We remind the Township Clerks, that a law has been passed which requires them to publish in the County papers a full statement of the receipts and expenditures of the Township, under a penalty of fifty dollars. This is a measure which the people are interested in, and have a right to know something about it, and all the Township Clerks of this County will no doubt do their duty, and then if the people do not see the statements it will be because they neglect to read the papers. About three weeks yet remain fixed by law for their publication.

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THE CHARGE SUSTAINED.

When a man's ambition for notoriety gushes out so copiously that he cannot keep pace with it, and he perseveres in his ill-considered attempts to the councils of the calm and judicious thinking portion of the people, he will not rapidly into condemnation than he at first rose into popular esteem. This fact is forcibly illustrated in the person of James M. Seavey, whose unfortunate accession to power himself to the Democratic party, "damned" in the language of Shakespeare, "damned" the ranks of the Democratic party for its arduous attempts to dictate himself into the ranks of that party on several occasions, he was taken by the Republicans, consoled, petted and fed, until his self-esteem became so enlarged that he regarded himself as the head and body of the Union party in New Jersey. Indeed, his seeming shrewdness gave promise of usefulness in the political organization, and he was entrusted with the conduct of the members. But, deep within him lurked a dark and damnable germ of selfishness and treachery which, as he progressed into positions of importance and trust, developed itself in enlarged forms, until at last it culminated in an absolute betrayal of the party which elevated him to power, and led him to "bet his life on a flimsy" directly against its interests. A student and his own vote gave him the power he now holds, but truth will determine the positions accorded to him hereafter.

In organizing the Senate at the commencement of the present session of the Legislature, Mr. Seavey's unpresented conduct made him self President of that branch, by a political dodge which no honest man would resort to—at least no one of the eleven Senators, save himself, was debased enough to do it—although either one of them had just good a right to do. Had he not pledged "his word as an honest man," to go for Mr. Buckley to the very letter, his treachery in that act would have been less glaring; but, after having made the pledge, his abandonment of Mr. Buckley for himself became perfectly execrable. On Friday last, however, the climax of his baseness was reached. Having been to Washington but a few days before, he was prepared to consummate his treachery on reaching Trenton. On his leaving Washington the telegraph announced that the Democrats were holding a meeting, and that they had bought up enough Republicans in the New Jersey Senate to prevent a joint meeting. Mr. Seavey voted with the Democrats against going into joint meeting. What, therefore, is the inference? Mr. Seavey's "empty pockets," of which he boasts, precludes the idea, he would have us believe, that he was lured by the yellow lure; for, "Casar was an honorable man." Whatever aspect the election of the United States Senator assumes hereafter, it can never mitigate the stain of dishonor which attaches to the character of Mr. Seavey. His personal feelings have over-balanced his bump of common sense, and left him with no alternative but that of a political chameleon. He can do in the future cannot undo that which he has already done, and the execrations of a betrayed constituency will ring in his ears so long as he aspires for political honors. It is evident that his sole desire has been and is to be United States Senator himself, and his factious conduct in voting with the Democrats for the purpose of compelling the party to nominate him. But, whatever the motive was, and whatever may be the result, the future political career of James M. Seavey, will be marked with distrust if not dishonor.

A JUST COMPLIMENT.

At the annual meeting of the Camden and Philadelphia Steamboat Ferry Company, held on Friday of last week, in Camden, Judge T. Jones York, was elected a Director. It is well known that Mr. York is one of the most active and efficient officers connected with the West Jersey Railroad from its commencement to the present time, and his untiring zeal and exertions to improve South Jersey, by giving the people necessary railroad advantages, have been attended with successful results. He seems to have bent his whole energies towards the accomplishment of his purpose, for during the incipient movements connected with the commencement of railroad enterprises in this section of the State, no man was more determined and anxious to see them accomplished to completion than he, and no man labored more devotedly in the cause. His influence awakened a co-operative interest among the people, and when the measure was accomplished by a parvenu, he relaxed not his efforts. He saw, with his far-reaching perception, that the breaking of ground on the first section of the West Jersey Railroad was only the beginning of a system of improvement which would largely embrace agriculture, manufacturing, in fact, every interest of this end of New Jersey. From that to the present day, his labors have been arduous, but faithfully and unremittingly performed. His election, therefore, as a Director of this Ferry Company, is a deserved compliment to a worthy gentleman.

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