

HANCOCK AND VICTORY.

Democratic Prospects in Maine, Indiana, Ohio and Pennsylvania. WASHINGTON, Aug 30—R. T. Merrick, Esq. of this city, who was one of the Democratic counsel before the Electoral Commission, has returned to Washington from a Northern trip. Mr Merrick has seen Gen Hancock recently, as well as Chairman Barnum and others prominent in the Democratic councils, and he says, their information gives entire assurance of the Democratic ticket in November. He says that in Maine the union is perfect between the unionists, and though the State is close, the Republicans will make no gain upon them. Indiana he sets down as certain for the Democrats. The Democratic organization in that State, under the management of Mr English, was never so complete as now, and no doubt what ever is felt in the ability of the party to carry it by a handsome majority. Mr Merrick says that the Democrats have good reason to believe that they will carry Ohio, although they do not make any positive claim to that effect. That Hancock will be elected, he has no shadow of doubt. Senator Wallace arrived here to day from Pennsylvania. He says that the Democrats everywhere in the State are united and confident of victory, while the Republicans in many places are quarreling and generally despondent. Senator Wallace says that if the Democrats carry Indiana in October, Pennsylvania will certainly give a majority for Hancock and English. Ex Gov Curtin, he says will probably be the Democratic candidate for Congress in the Twentieth District, which was carried in 1878 by Yocum Greenbacker, by a small majority. In the Twenty fifth District, Low represented by Harry White, the Democrats and Greenbackers are united in support of James Mosgrove, the Democratic candidate for Congress. Mr. Wallace thinks that Mr. White will be defeated.

Hurricane at Jamaica.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug 30—Capt Bassett J Smith steamed up the Delaware from Port Antonio, Jamaica, to day, and when he came ashore gave a graphic account of the hurricane which swept over the island on the 18th inst. 'Had been threatening for two or three days, and I knew that something was up, but I did not look for any such storm as the one that struck us and devastated the island in such a short space of time. The barometer, which had been falling for two or three days, began to go down very rapidly on Wednesday, and at 1 o'clock that afternoon it began to blow. At first we thought it only a squall, but the force of the wind gradually increased to a hurricane, and from 10 o'clock that night until 2 o'clock the next morning it blew with a power that swept everything before it.

The Captain says that many small schooners were dashed on the beach and wrecked at Port Antonio, and eleven houses were demolished. At Spring Grove, out of thirty-seven houses, only eleven are left standing. At Nauchona there is not a house left whole. At Kingston the capital and principal seaport, the destruction of property was very great. Only one wharf is left, and nearly all the small shipping in the harbor was destroyed. Although the greatest damage was done along the harbor front, the upper part of the town suffered very much. Among the wrecked buildings were the Ebenezer school house and the Roman Catholic school in Sutton street. Great damage was done to the paradises. The loss is very great. Many banana plantations are destroyed, and the growing coconuts ruined. Men who had hundreds of acres of banana ready for market have not a bunch left. It is calculated that the island has been put back at least two years by the storm.

AN AEROLITE'S FLIGHT.

An Explosion that Jarred Buildings in Cleveland, O.—Were there Two Aerolites?

CLEVELAND, O, Aug 29—A large aerolite passed over this city near 3 o'clock this morning, causing a brilliant illumination. When over the lake it exploded with such force as to severely jar many buildings in the northern part of the city. The fragments shot off in various directions, like the fire balls of a rock.

CINCINNATI, O, Aug 29—A special to the Commercial from Mount Vernon, O, says: 'Mr L F Jones, while near Greenville, Jefferson County, about 2 o'clock this morning, heard a loud roaring and saw the brilliant light of an aerolite passing from east to west. The aerolite fell in the woods half a mile away. At Greenville he saw a number of citizens who had been awakened by the extraordinary noise and light.'

Coal Mines Resuming Work.

SCRANTON, Pa, Aug 30—The mines of this region resumed work on full time this morning, after many months of half time, during which the working classes have suffered severely. Inquiry of various coal operatives gives assurance of steady work for some time to come, and the miners are happy over the prospects.

Charlotte Observer: Saturday night Ross Hall, son-in-law of C C King, who lives several miles from the city, went to King's house, and being under the influence of liquor, proceeded to raise a disturbance. Mr King ordered him to leave the house, when he dealt him two severe blows with a piece of board—one on the head which knocked him down; the other blow fell on his right arm and broke it. Mr King was thought at first to have been fatally injured, but medical aid was called in and his injuries were found to be less serious.

CAROLINA

Warsaw Brief Mention: We learn from Mr I Royal, of Sampson county, that the church at Salem, has just closed a very interesting meeting. Eight were received into the church.

Newbern Nut Shell: The Democratic flag pole, presented to the Hancock and Jarvis Club of this city, was yesterday brought down to the brick, corner Middle and Broad streets, where it will be erected.

Ashboro Courier: Mr Edward Frazier and a negro named Smith had an altercation last Wednesday at Union, in which Mr Frazier was seriously but not fatally stabbed. The negro also used a shovel with serious effect. We have been unable to get the details.

Greensboro Beacon: Mrs Martha Ralney, the aged widow of Samuel Ralney, and daughter of David McGibbons, fell dead on the sidewalk near her home, in this place, on Thursday evening last, about dusk. An inquest was deemed unnecessary. She had been quite feeble for some time, and apoplexy was believed to be the cause of death.

Laurinburg Enterprise: Mr G A Roper, of our town, who shipped the first bale of new cotton to Wilmington, has since sold twenty five bales, at good figures. We are informed by Mr J G W Cobb, agent at this place, that he has received this season for shipment 365 bales of new cotton. On the 20th of August, Jephth Peel, who lives six miles from our growing little city, gathered 100 bushels of well cured corn from four acres.

Raleigh News: The first piece of machinery put in position for exhibition at the New York World's Fair is the tobacco weighing, filling, and pressing machine, patented by Mr. Clement C Clawson, of this city. During the cotton year which closed yesterday, the receipts and sales of cotton at Raleigh have run beyond those of any previous year by 6,000 bales, being for the year 53,000 bales. This cotton was drawn from the counties of Wake, Johnston, Nash, Franklin, Grantham, Granville, Moore and Wilson, and a few bales came from Wayne and Orange.

Raleigh Visitor: Eggs retail at 15 cents per dozen in the wagons and 17 1/2 in the stores. George M Lindsey, of Trenton, Jones county, was employed as an agent by Mr J L Stone to sell the New Home Sewing Machine, and failing to come up to his agreement was arrested at the instance of Mr Stone. Yesterday he was before Chief Justice Smith a Chambers under a writ of habeas corpus, and after a full trial of the case, he was required to give a bond of \$200 and failing to do so, was committed to jail.

Raleigh Observer: Mr Frank J Pulling, agent of Comp's circus, last night received a telegram from Mr Coup in which the latter said that the business at Norfolk and Petersburg was immense. Hundreds could not get inside the canvas. This is about the way it will be here on Friday.

Last week a little child living in the country, a few miles South of the city, was bitten by a small ground rattlesnake. The wound, which was on the thumb, was treated at once, and the child was brought in to the physicians here. One of them cut the flesh in which was the bite and bound the wound with caustic. The child was taken back to its home, and in a few hours its arm began to swell. By the next morning the entire arm was a most black. A sort of doctor in the country then went to work on the wound, and by the use of certain herbs is said to have so far cured it that the child has nearly recovered. The ground rattlesnake is not at all common hereabouts. It is small but very venomous.

COMMERCIAL NEWS

WILMINGTON MARKET SEPTEMBER 2-4 P.M. SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Quoted firm at 33 cents. Later we hear of sales 66 casks at 33 1/2 cents. Still later we hear higher figures are asked. Market closing strong. ROSIN—Quoted firm at \$1 10 for Strained and \$1 15 for Good Strained an advance of 2 1/2 cents on each grade. Sales 2,500 lbs at quotations. TAR—Quoted steady at \$1 60 per bbl of 250 lbs. CRUDE TURPENTINE—Quoted firm at \$1 90 for Soft and Virgin. COTTON—Quoted steady. Sales of 100 bales on a basis of 10 1/2 cents for Middling. The following are the official quotations: Ordinary..... Cents. Good Ordinary..... 10 1/2. Low Middling..... 10 1/2. Middling..... 10 1/2. Good Middling..... 10 1/2.

DAILY RECEIPTS Cotton..... 321 bales Spirits Turpentine..... 247 casks Rosin..... 1,009 bb. Tar..... 138 " Crude Turpentine..... 458 "

MARINE NEWS.

ARRIVED. Steamer Elizabeth, Bisbee, Smithville Master. Steamer Passport, Harper, Smithville, Master. Steamer North State, Green, Fayetteville, Worth & Worth.

CLEARED. Steamer Elizabeth, Bisbee, Smithville, Master. Steamer Passport, Harper, Smithville, Worth & Worth. Sch'r Loretta Fish, Watts, Boston, Jas H Chadbourne & Co. Sch'r Imogene Diverly, Reed, Ponce, P R, cargo by Nortrup & Cumming; vessel by Harris & Howell. Sch'r Lena Hunter, Dole, Philadelphia, Harris & Howell. Sch'r Palos, Eldridge, Pointe a Petre Guadeloupe, E Kidder & sons.

Exports. COASTWISE. Boston—sch'r Loretta Fish—297,065 feet lumber. Philadelphia—sch'r Lena Hunter—128,110 ft lumber, 103,525 shingles. FOREIGN. Ponce, P R—sch'r Imogene Diverly—127,035 ft lumber, 101,650 shingles. Guadeloupe—sch'r Palos—173,996 ft lumber.

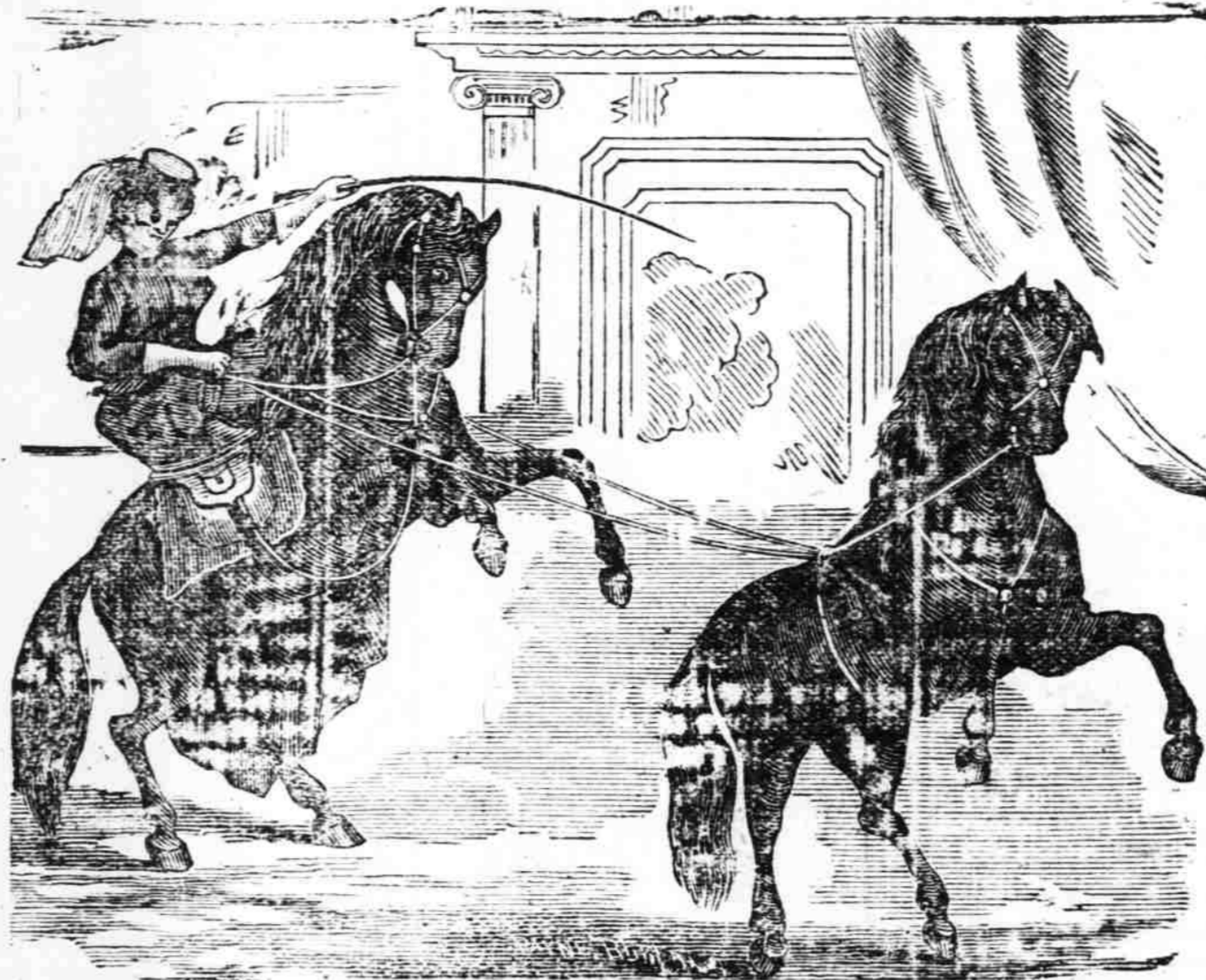
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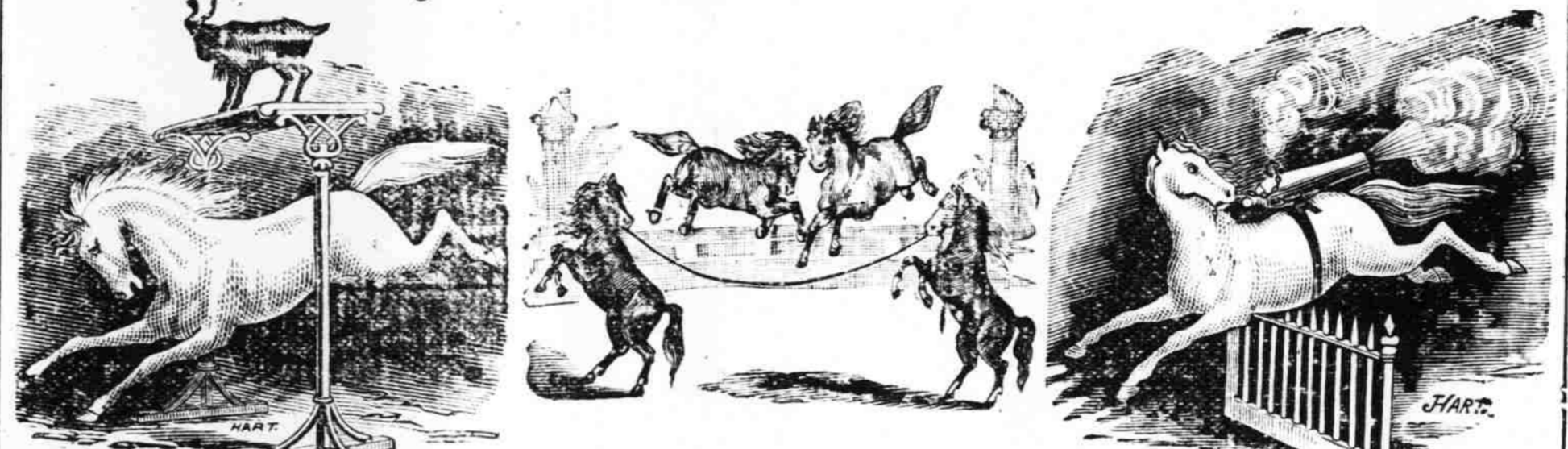
COLVIN'S IMMENSE MENAGERIE! JAMES MELVILLE'S AUSTRALIAN CIRCUS! STONE'S GENUINE INDIANS!

FRYER'S TRAINED DOG SHOW! ROYAL JAPANESE CIRCUS! THE GREAT NEW YORK AQUARIUM!

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