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More Pensions and Bounty.—A gentleman representing the Washington office of MILO B. STEVENS & Co. will be at the Queen City Hotel, Cumberland, Md., Thursday, 29th inst., and at the Somerset House, Somerset, Pa., Friday, 30th inst., to receive claims for pension, increase of pension, bounty, etc., which interested parties may desire to have prosecuted by said attorneys.

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March 15 JAMES KANE & CO.

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TO DELINQUENT TAXPAYERS.

ALL PERSONS who have not paid their State and County Taxes to and including the year 1887, are hereby notified that all Taxes in arrear on the first day of April, 1888, will be collected at once by the summary process provided by law. Costs will be saved by settling at once at the store of THOMAS HILL, Deputy Collector, Frostburg, Md.
ABRAHAM S. CASEY,
Collector Third District,
March 17 Allegany county, Md.

Election Notice.

THE QUALIFIED VOTERS of the town of Frostburg are hereby notified that an election will be held at the usual place of holding elections in said town on

Monday, April 2, 1888,

To elect ONE PERSON **MAYOR**—to serve one year, and THREE PERSONS **COUNCILMEN**—to serve two years.

Polls will open at 8 o'clock a. m. and close at 6 o'clock p. m.

By order of the Mayor and Council.
March 17 JAMES HANSON, Clerk.

ORDER NISI.

Althea M. Devecmon vs. Robert C. Paul and Annie E. Paul, his wife.	No. 3722 Equity. In the Circuit Court for Allegany county, Md., in Equity.

ORDERED, This 13th day of March, in the year 1888, by the Circuit Court for Allegany county, Maryland, in equity, that the sale made and reported in above cause by J. Semmes Devecmon, attorney named in the mortgage, to John Gunter, be ratified and confirmed unless cause thereof to the contrary be shown on or before the 10th day of April, 1888, provided a copy of this order be published in some newspaper published in Allegany county, Maryland, once a week for three successive weeks before the 10th day of April, 1888. The report states the amount of sale to be $1525.00.
THEO. LUMAN, Clerk.
True copy. Test: THEO. LUMAN, Clerk.
March 17

ORDER NISI.

In the matter of the sale of Real Estate of Nelson Beall, deceased.

In the Orphans' Court of Allegany county, Md., March Term, 1888.

ORDERED, This 13th day of March, in the year 1888, by the Orphans' Court of Allegany county that the sale of real estate made and this day reported to this Court by Frank C. Beall, executor, and Annie Beall, executrix, of Nelson Beall, late of Allegany county, Md., deceased, be ratified and confirmed unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the 13th day of April, 1888; provided a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper printed in Allegany county once in each of three successive weeks prior to the 7th day of April, 1888.

The report states the amount of sale to be $128.00.
JOHN COULEHAN, C. J. O. C.
ROBERT BRUCE, J. O. C.
THOMAS JOHNSON, J. O. C.
True copy Test: A. H. DOWDES,
March 17 Register of Wills.

Miscellaneous Advertisements.

FOR SALE!

SINGLE BUGGY and Set Single HARNESS CHEAP FOR CASH. Parties meaning business apply at the
Sept 24 JOURNAL OFFICE.

THE miners would be more satisfied with the five tons per day restriction and more miners would be employed.—Lonaconing *Review*.

That is the milk in the cocoanut. The proposed restriction is designed to make places for the gentlemen who have suffered bloodless martyrdom for the so called cause of "Labor."

But what are we to do with the fact that during 1887—the halcyon year of the coal trade—the miners of the region, excepting those of one company, *did not average five tons per day?* That is to say, the *Review* urges restriction of production to a figure which on the whole was not reached during the best year of the region's existence.

How, then, are the miners to "be more satisfied" by cutting the output down to an average above what they have achieved? How is "the number of accidents to be so reduced?" And how is "the miner to guard against the possibility of accidents" by "restrictive measures" which do not restrict but *increase his labor?*

This is an instance showing that the restless agitators of this region are clamoring and whining for something without knowing what they want.

A BOSTON cigar manufacturer has been forced to make an assignment because his operatives refused to work for the wages he was paying, and the stoppage of his business ruined him.—Washington *Star*.

That appears to mean that there is one manufacturer the less to provide employment and wages for working men.

And more women and children to suffer because the heads of their families have chosen to cut off the means of living.

Why did they cut these means off? "To get more subsistence," they say.

That is, (if they had known it) they preferred to starve because they were unable to get all they want to eat and drink.

And now, according to the Lonaconing *Review*, they have a right to steal.

But it is evident that the poor fellow whom they ruined cannot become a victim of compulsory larceny.

THE reduced hours of labor urged by the Lonaconing *Review* "means," it says, "a slight advance in the pay of day laborers," for such restriction carries with it a corresponding addition to working expenses.

In another place the *Review* publishes the price of coal f. o. b. at Baltimore for 1888 as fixed at $2.60 per ton.

Now, why did not the *Review* go further and show what margin is left to the companies out of the $2.60 on which they can base any advance whatever for any purpose, direct or indirect?

Then, when it has found the margin, let it deduct therefrom the cost of insurance, taxes, wear and tear, and calculate, if it can, whether the net margin is a fair return for property depleted of all that ever made it valuable?

THE total output up to December 28, 1887, was 3,239,708 tons.—*Thomas C. Weeks.*

The above is a footnote to a statement that—

The total output from the mines *in Allegany county* for 1887 will in all probability exceed three millions tons, the largest output in the history of *this State*.

The intent of Mr. Weeks no doubt was to have his readers mistake hindsight for foresight.

The main trouble with Mr. Weeks' official statement, however, is that it is incorrect. He is out of the way about 449,000 tons, an error brought about by his official endorsement of the current lie which enables a formidable rival of our business to trade upon the reputation of our coal as the best steam-raising fuel in the world.

The 449,000 tons ought not to be credited to our State officially or unofficially.

IN addition to the reduction of hours wanted by the *Review* it asks for a further increase of the drivers' wages. The reduction of hours of labor carries with it a corresponding increase in working expenses. Following this the *Review* publishes the price of coal f. o. b. at Baltimore for the year 1888 to be $2.60 per ton. Will the *Review* go further and state what margin is left the companies to base any advance on whatever?

THE Frostburg JOURNAL refuses to recognize any distinction between voluntary and contracted immigration. Right there we differ.—Lonaconing *Review*.

And will continue so to do until the esteemed *Review* recants, or, dying unrepentant, is filed away in a sarcophagus.

EIGHT lines were needed to complete this column, and nothing being left to speak of outside the perennial merit of the JOURNAL as a paper it has roamed vainly through delectable mazes of exquisite phrases to discern something sweeter to say than "now is the time to subscribe."

MR. WEEKS speaks of "the Georges Creek region, Maryland," in the feminine gender, and he speaks officially.

This is not more surprising in Mr. Weeks as a rhetorician than as a State official preaching the *propaganda* of a secret order.

PEOPLE, elect one good man for Mayor and three good men for Councilmen. What we want, without reflection upon the present body, is a sound, intelligent administration. Success is available in this direction, and success, like "heaven," as Sam Jones says, "is just beyond the terminus of doing your level best."

THE number of miners employed in 1887 exceeds that of 1886 by several hundred.—*Thomas C. Weeks.*

A gross misstatement. The number was 42 less than in 1886—a reduction brought about through the wise administration of Inspector Hamill, and one which very materially enhanced the average earnings *per capita* for the year.

THERE have been many evil things said of him, but the paragraph below from the Lonaconing *Review* places him before the public in a favorable light:

Eugene Higgins is posing as a "walking delegate" for the coal companies of this region. His services seem to have been quite effective in working against the passage of the ventilation bill.

Age cannot wither nor custom stale the infinite gullibility of some people.

WITH the Lonaconing *Review* comparisons are not simply odious, but "side issues."

The teacher-pay business, not being an issue at all, cannot be a side issue.

But if the *Review* is as great a friend of the teachers as it is of the few miners who are Knights of Labor, as it pretends to be, why has it no semi-monthly pay bill before the Legislature for them?

Who, then, raised the "issue" and did not raise the "side issue?"

Who made fresh meat of one species of labor and treated the other as carrion?

And who is "off the track" now?

IF Mine Inspector Hamill had advocated the passage of a stringent mining law instead of opposing such a measure, his chances of succeeding himself would have been better.—Lonaconing *Review*

Not a bit of it. The scheme was to get Mr. Hamill out and keep him out—not expressly, but all the same to put and keep him and such as he out.

Hence, the advocacy of the bill would have gained him nothing

The truth is, the nomination of Mr. Browning had everything to do with defeating the ventilation bill, and the gentlemen who are primarily responsible for his appointment are those who so persistently forced the obnoxious measure upon legislative notice.

THERE is an outfit in this town that speaks of the JOURNAL as a composition of "frail humanity, paper, ink, &c.," and at the same time holds the JOURNAL accountable for the small tariff meeting here. It goes so far as to say that many were not "prepared to be influenced by an institution which is divided against itself on the tariff question." It does not appear to know that there are very few great "institutions" which are not so divided; such, for instance, as the republican party, the democratic party, and even the free trade outfit of the high protective Knights of Labor are all cut up on this subject.

What the outfit wants is to reduce the swelling in its mind, or the ordinary human epidermis will not hold the incongruous congeries of its own incompossible soul.

CORRESPONDENCE.

SALTING DOWN AN ESTEEMED CONTEMPORARY.

To the MINING JOURNAL.

THE contribution of "Paris," in last week's issue of the Frostburg JOURNAL convinces the *Review* that at least one "senseless twaddler" has been discovered, and that is "Paris." His last article was a bunch of malignant, studied falsehoods. By partial quotation he cleverly misrepresents the *Review*. It is the act of a coward making an attack under cover of a *nom de plume* and one who is an apparent stranger to truth and honest methods.—Lonaconing *Review*.

Taking into consideration the *Review's* lack of knowledge five years ago on all subjects, its advancement is wonderful. In proof of this read the above select editorial. Witness the choice language it uses in combating assertions made by his opponent—"senseless twaddler," liar and coward. That settles the whole business. I am annihilated. Yet if it expects to choke me off with such uncalled-for epithets it is very greatly mistaken.

Thackeray says "the newspaper is typical of the community in which it is encouraged and circulated. This tells its character as well as its conceit."

From personal knowledge of Lonaconing's people I would say the above quotation does not represent them. To affirm that when anyone differs with them that all they could say, when they got several miles between them and their opponents, was to call them liars and cowards, would certainly be an unjust reflection on the intelligence and bravery of Lonaconing people.

I can prove all the assertions I make. Let me repeat one that has called down upon my head the stigma of liar, twaddler and coward. I said in the JOURNAL of March 3d that "the *Review* never advocated the cause of wage-workers; it only pretended to sufficient to get their subscriptions, taking great care not to antagonize the operators for fear of losing their patronage." Now, let me add, the editorials in the *Review* were so weak in support of labor's interests that it was next to impossible to distinguish whether it was in the business or not. So, to settle the question, the *Review* joined the Knights of Labor. Yet it is as big a failure in upholding and following the principles of the Order as it ever was in pretending to advocate the interests of labor.

As for my taking cover under a *nom de plume* I have my own reasons for doing so, yet I will make the assertion that had I used my name he would neither have called me "senseless twaddler," "liar" or "coward."

E. H. Chapin says "opinions backed by epithets shows a limited range of ideas."
PARIS.

A FINE LECTURE.

To the MINING JOURNAL.

The lecture on "Mary, Queen of Scots," delivered by Miss Alice E. Delo at the English Lutheran church on the 9th inst., was in every respect a grand success. A large and intelligent audience were present, and Miss Delo showed much of the grace and beauty of the illustrious queen of whom she spoke. The lecturer manifested good judgment in the selection of facts, and keen analysis and discernment of character. In style it was both classic and poetic, lit up here and there with brilliant rhetorical flashes. The lecturer's voice was strong and clear, and melodious as a silver bell; and her pronunciation and elocution were faultless. The whole affair was a rare historical and literary treat, and we predict for Miss Delo a brilliant career upon the platform.
AN AUDITOR.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS.

Broke His Leg.—George B. McCulloh, of this place, fell on the ice Saturday night and broke his crippled leg. He is getting along well.

Married—Thursday evening, March 15, 1888, by Rev. G. A. Schwedes, Mr. JOHN VOGTMAN and Miss MARTHA STOHL, all of this place.

A Problem as is a Problem.—Say, arithmeticians, here is one from the Luray (Va.) *Courier:*

If four hound dogs with sixteen legs, can catch twenty-nine rabbits with eighty-seven legs, in forty-four minutes, how many legs must the same rabbits have to get away from eight hound dogs, with thirty-two legs, in seventeen minutes and a-half?

Religious.—There will be preaching in the M. E. Church, South, to-morrow (Sunday) morning and evening at the usual hours.

The Cumberland district, M. E. Church, at the recent session of the Baltimore Conference was enlarged by the addition of several charges oelonging to West Baltimore, and the name changed to Frederick district. This alteration makes the district richer and more important than heretofore. A few of the appointments are as follows:

Baltimore—W. E. Curley.
Frostburg—H. S. France.
" *Circuit*—J. R. Pardew.
Lonaconing—James P. Wilson.
Mt. Savage—S. S. Wilson.

Rev. G. G. Baker continues as presiding elder.

Journalistic.—The JOURNAL is grateful to John W. Avirett, editor of the Cumberland *Times*, for a fraternal favor of more than ordinary value. It is the more highly appreciated because thoughtful on his part and unexpected on ours. On this account the JOURNAL deeply regrets that it was not in shape to make use of it.

The communication of "Paris" is "toned down"—not to gain space, but to confine it to something like an expression of reasonable hostility to the Lonaconing *Review*. The JOURNAL entertains not the slightest unkind feeling for the *Review*, and will not be made the medium through which a quarrel with it can be carried on. At the same time whoever desires to question the policy and consistency of its utterances in a public way are welcome to do so. "Calling names," therefore, by either or both antagonists cannot subserve any popular interest. Hence, so far as the JOURNAL can command the situation that species of debate will be minimized to the absolute needs of pungency.

The Printers' *Circular* says "the Meyersdale (Pa.) *Commercial* is handsome and able. Lou A. Smith is at the helm." Part of the truth is omitted. The *Commercial* is a good paper, and Smith a good man.

Personal.—Rev. J. M. Rollins, pastor M. E. Church, South, left Monday morning for Durham, N. C., in response to a telegram announcing the critical illness of his father. —Later intelligence conveys the sad information that Henry G. Rollins, his father, died Sunday afternoon, aged 62 years. Rev. Mr. Rollins reached Durham about noon Tuesday in time to witness the interment. He will reach Conference at Martinsburg to-day.

Dr. J. W. J. Englar and daughter, Miss Sallie, are visiting former friends in this place.

Titus A. Brick was in town Thursday. He visited a booze depot and loaded up his tank for a lengthy run homeward.

Isaac F. Churchill, of Fort Benton, Montana, spent portions of Tuesday and Wednesday with the JOURNAL. Some years ago he was a resident of Frostburg, but, following the Star of Empire, he lives now where fortune appears to smile with brighter light and dispense richer premiums upon his labor.

Messrs. W. R. and D. G. Percy have returned home, both in improved health.

A. A. Rogers, of Morgantown, W. Va., was here this week upon a visit which combined business and pleasure. He carried a large picture of one of his children, a superb sample of the fine work he can execute.

Messrs. John N. Carson, John M. Smith and John M. Zimmerly were appointed Judges of Election for April 2, next, by the Town Council at its meeting on the 12th inst.

Anti Lease Meeting.—The measures proposing the lease of the upper portion of the Chesapeake and Ohio canal to the Western Maryland railway company having reached a critical stage a number of citizens Thursday thought some public expression should be given to popular sentiment in this section upon the subject. The time for action growing short, a meeting was called for the same evening in Nickel's new hall.

George H. Wittig was chosen chairman and J. B. Oder secretary.

On motion, a committee of three were appointed to prepare resolutions embodying the sense of the meeting.

The chair selected Messrs. J. B. Oder, Gershon Anthony and A. E. Hitchins.

The committee retired and after a short consultation submitted the following paper:

WHEREAS, A bill pending in the General Assembly of Maryland proposes the lease of the Chesapeake and Ohio canal for certain railway purposes; therefore, resolved—

1. That it is the sense of this meeting of the citizens of Frostburg that the measure proposed is destructive of the best interests of Western Maryland, particularly of the city of Cumberland and the Georges Creek coal region.

2. That the canal as a canal, even though it does not carry a pound of coal, will be a standing check against exorbitant freight charges.

3. That the proposed lease can be of no benefit to anyone interested in the coal industry of this county, already provided with ample competition in railway and water freightage, especially since it appears that the measure is not expressly designed to foster and promote any Maryland interest.

4. That the bondholders of 1844 have tolls and revenues of the canal pledged for principal and interest of its debt; that the mortgage representing this debt is a contract between the canal company and the bondholders, and that any act which disturbs or destroys the canal *as a canal* will impair the obligations involved in the contract.

5 That such legislation would reflect injuriously upon the financial integrity of the State, now rated so high in the commercial centres of the world.

6. That the consummation of this scheme will bring to our doors and to our markets the fiercest rivalry of the coal of another State, and that it proposes to wrest from us a friendly outlet for our productions and convert it into an avenue for a formidable hostile interest.

7. That the interest of boatmen and other citizens of Maryland directly and indirectly connected with the operations of the canal will be destroyed or seriously impaired.

8. That from any point whatever the proposition is viewed, this meeting regards it radically and wholly wrong and destructive of every Maryland interest in this important section of the State, and we hereby most earnestly protest against the passage of a bill doubtfully legal and certainly self-destructive of the welfare of this end of the State.

9. That this meeting appoint two delegates who, in conjunction with other delegations that may be appointed, are hereby instructed to submit these resolutions to the proper legislative authorities.

The resolutions were unanimously adopted.

Messrs. J. B. Oder and William Grimes were constituted the delegation provided for in the ninth resolution.

The secretary was instructed to forward copies of the proceedings of this meeting to the Baltimore and Allegany county papers.

—The following telegram from Hon. John N. Benson reached the JOURNAL yesterday afternoon:

Western Maryland railroad bill postponed indefinitely.

It is believed that this is equivalent to a very timely death.

—The credit accorded the JOURNAL for getting up the meeting on short notice by the Cumberland *Times* is duly appreciated, but it must be shared with Messrs. George H. Wittig, Howard Hitchins, John Chambers, Gebauf & Mayer, and C. F. Nickel. In this connection it is proper to state that the resolutions would have been better constructed had not the time been so short. What should have been the careful work of hours was compressed within a few minutes.

Brevities.—J. B. Carson, of this place, an *attache* of the House of Delegates sends the JOURNAL a copy each of the "Seventh Biennial Report of the State Board of Health," and "Second Biennial Report of the Bureau of Industrial Statistics."

When the Original New Orleans Minstrels were in Pittsburg the *Leader* said they were "entertaining large audiences nightly with songs, and the usual minstrel bill of fare. These people are quite clever, and give a performance that ought to please those who have a taste for minstrelsy." They will appear at Ravenscraft's Opera House this evening. George J. Conner sells the reserved seat tickets at his stationery store.

The largest weekly production of coal ever made in this region in the month of March was shipped during the six days ending March 10th, last—over 69,000 tons. Frostburg is particularly interested in the fact that over 22,000 tons of this amount was sent out by the Consolidation coal company—its largest weekly output ever made at this season.

Mrs. Mary Hartman is remodeling the front of her residence preparatory to removing her shoe store thereto.

Our esteemed townsman, James Welsh, is the happy father of a leap year son, born Wednesday, February 29, 1888. His name will be Albert, and his birthday will come but once in every four years.

Observe the advertisement announcing the corporate election for April 2.

Madame Fry administered a deserved rebuke Tuesday evening to the gentlemen who manifest their approbation of an entertainment by ear-splitting whistles and stamping. A decent clapping of hands is all she desired; more than that is an uncivilized demonstration.

Did any reader, far from the land of his birth and the home of his youth, ever return to look upon the scenes of early life? Did he ever feel the warm pressure of numberless friendly hand-grasps and greetings seemingly inspired by a popular feeling that his career abroad has shed no discredit upon the soil which gave him and his boyhood contemporaries common nativity? If so, that reader appreciates the tender *genius* which presides over these lines, written in brief memorial of a visit to Front Royal and Linden, Va., last week.

William Angwin, son of Benjamin Angwin, formerly of this place, now of Warrior, Alabama, proprietor of a store in that place, was called upon by a man at the store Saturday night, March 3, for tobacco. As young Angwin started to get it the man struck him on the head with a blacksmith's hammer and robbed the store. Several arrests have been made. The young man lies in a critical condition.

One of the worst blizzards that ever struck this country at this season paid us a call last Monday and staid until the oldest inhabitant began to lecture on the past, and the younger people said they were tired. But—

But when the winter cold is over, and we gambol in the clover,
Or escape the shining sunlight in some cool and shady spot;
When the snow-drifts have departed and the birds sing, happy hearted,
Then we'll kick around and grumble that the weather is so hot.

John Chambers' males made an active canvass of the town Thursday, manifesting an opposition to the Western Maryland railroad proposal at once intense and unanimous.

John A. Wagner will occupy the store vacated by George Ort April 1.