

London, Sept. 17, 1864.

THE MILLER EXHIBITION. The excitement consequent upon the arrival of Franz Muller, a supposed murderer...

One unaccountable phenomenon of 1864, says a San Francisco paper, has been the immense multitudes of song birds which have been driven upon the cultivated lands of California during the month of May.

Welfare from a gentleman of Ontario county the particulars of a costly attempt to escape the draft by fleeing to Canada and endeavouring to obtain a substitute there.

At the close of the exhibition, in compliance with the desire of the people, Mr. Bell and Mr. McDougall addressed those who were present, for a short time, on political matters.

The carters of Montreal have made a strike, and put the merchants and business men of that city to much inconvenience and themselves to much loss.

We have had an extremely rough spell of weather for several days past, with almost constant wind and rain. On Saturday it blew up a regular squall, which continued falling all day, covering the ground and giving everything a wintry appearance.

The intelligence that France is at last, to evacuate Rome, if authentic, the most important that has been received for a long while. Italy may now become a united and first class power.

Some of the Federal killed in the reverse on Saturday were found subsequently horribly mutilated and stripped, some bodies had apparently been killed after being wounded.

The nomination for Naugeon division took place on Wednesday. Mr. Saider and Mr. D. L. McPherson were nominated. The latter is said to have the show of hands.

The contest in the Burlington Division has resulted in the election of Mr. Ball by a majority of 239.

Washington, Oct. 7.—Gen. Dix. In a recent dispatch it was mentioned that Gen. Sherman was taking measures to protect his communications. Despatches last night show the fulfillment of this expectation.

Washington, Oct. 6th, 11:30 P.M.—To Hon. E. M. Stanton: The following is just received from Gen. Sherman: On the 5th inst., telegraphs that the enemy retreated last evening for Atlanta, moving in the direction of Dallas, leaving his dead, and from 400 to 600 wounded in our hands.

Tuesday, the 4th instant, was a great day in the neighboring village of Altoona. An immense crowd of people, of all ages, sexes and sizes, common to humanity, were gathered together—some to see the show, and others to discuss political affairs.

A correspondent has kindly favored us with an account of the agricultural exhibition, and we have also published a list of the prizes awarded to the successful competitors.

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The Era's Baton Rouge correspondent reports that the Alabama railroad will be repaired from here to Palaski in one month.

The Gold market sympathized with the general tone of affairs, and the price after opening at 198, steadily advanced during the morning to 204, without the aid of rumor or any speculative.

Commercial Washington Specials:—Great activity prevails in Grant's front throwing up earthworks. Great activity at Alexandria, trains running to Manassas Gap and Ball's Bluff.

The carters will thus lose considerably by their strike and are sure to be vanquished in the end. In this country there is really no necessity for resorting to such means to raise the wages.

Headquarters Dept. Va., and N.C., Oct. 7th.—To Brig. Gen. Rawlings:—The following has just been received, signed, B. F. Butler, Major General, 15th Army Corps, 10.60, a.m.—We have repulsed the attack of the enemy on our right flank with great slaughter, the troops seem to be Field's and Rickett's divisions. I send you a batch of prisoners. I am extending my right flank. The enemy seem to be entrenched on Darby Road.

Correspondence.

To the Editor of the C. P. Herald. Sir—One of the most agreeable, happy and social gatherings denominated a Picnic, came off with the greatest zest in a grove near the lake of Walker McFarlane, Esq., Lumber Merchant, Bagot, upon Tuesday, the 20th inst.—John Brown, Esq., Calaboga Lake, in the chair.

The speaking was equally worthy of the occasion. The chairman's brief and potent remarks—with his usual happy Presidential ability,—the really high-toned, eloquent and eminently practical speeches of the Rev. Mr. Perry, Elias Holden, Esq., and William McNaughton, Esq. were listened to with rapt attention by a delightful and happy audience, numbering over one hundred, and composed of ladies and gentlemen from the adjoining townships of Blythfield and Darling.

On a subscription for a Sabbath School Library having been proposed by the Rev. Mr. Perry, the call was there and then responded to by an unalloyed dry spent mild forest glade, silver retreat, and under greenwood tree, and after singing and benediction, the happy party broke up with the expressed wish to have such eminently social, happy gatherings in season, multiplied for the future.

Only one hog was brought forward this year: there appears to be a decided retrogression in this class, at all events a stand still. How often do we see, wandering on the highways, individuals of the porcine species, coarse and ugly as the common pig, never to be killed except at a dog's den. This popular breed of hogs has done more to bring the pork trade down, and discourage the farmer from raising pigs for the market, than it ever did towards feeding the hungry, or increasing the returns of productive industry.

The Rev. J. Masson was the last speaker. Referring to the remarks of Mr. Cram on the advantages of Union Schools, he expressed the opinion that wherever the several denominations were sufficiently strong to support an efficient school, it was better for them to do so, as teachers in such schools have a wide field, and hence feel less embarrassment in prosecuting their work, but where such is not the case, then union schools should be established, and such doctrines taught as are believed by all evangelical Christians. He did not venture an opinion on the propriety of a union between the Methodist and Presbyterian schools in this place, but expressed a hope that no feeling existed which would prevent its success if such a union were decided upon.

There was also a very large collection of Stockings, Mittens, etc., too numerous to mention here. Mrs. D. Graham carried off first prize for Butter, and Miss Jane Patterson for Cheese; and another department very profuse and exuberant collection of vegetables, which betokened an attentive and judicious management of horticulture. This department certainly reflects great credit on the society, as well as all parties connected with the manufacture of articles exhibited. And Mr. Editor, I would prefer to assert that the Exhibition in question is equal, if not superior, to any other Branch Society in the county. The Secretary, after reading over the names of the successful competitors, made way for the President of the society, who informed the hearers that the society was in a flourishing condition, having received an addition number of twenty-five members over the year, after which he proceeded to partake of dinner at Mrs. Leah McDougall's, and which, I was informed, was got up in a first class style. The crowd then dispersed, and "And each took of his several way, Resolved to meet some other day."

Mr. Editor.—The Annual Agricultural Exhibition for the North Riding of Lanark was, on Tuesday, the 4th instant, held on the Society's ground at Almonro. The day was fair but the roads deplorable; nevertheless the show opened under favourable auspices and was particularly rich in herds, flocks and fair humanity. The number of stock entries much exceeded that of any former exhibition; while the quality of the material constituting this class would stand out as a most rigorous examination.

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The Herald. CARLETON PLACE. Wednesday, Oct. 12th, 1864.

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