



This image is a scan of a historical newspaper page from the Rahway Democrat, dated March 22, 1861. The page is filled with dense text and several advertisements. At the top left, there's a column titled 'DEMOCRATIC VICTORIES' and another titled 'THE APPROXIMATE ELECTIONS IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY'. In the center, there's a large advertisement for 'PICTORIAL HISTORY OF THE WORLD' at 'GORDON'S OPERA HOUSE'. To the right, there's an ad for 'FISHER'S FISHING' with a logo for 'SAFETY OIL'. Further down, there's an ad for 'CLOTHING!' featuring 'FOUR THINGS' like 'Good Material', 'Good Workmanship', 'Good Style', and 'Low Prices'. On the far right, there's an ad for 'RAHWAY MUSIC STORE' at '119 Main Street'. The bottom half of the page contains numerous smaller ads for various goods and services, including pianos, organs, and legal notices for sheriff's sales.

**The National Democrat.**  
RAHWAY, N. J., MARCH 14, 1878.

Another false alarm of fire last Wednesday night.

The Frisky Fly made his first appearance for the season in our columns on Monday.

Glovers given to every purchaser of tea at H. B. Lawrence's 115 Main street.

The "boss" night for tramps at the station house was Tuesday—sixty-two men and three women were entertained.

Mr. Holzwarth, the jeweler, has moved into his new quarters, nearly opposite our office, and makes a very nice display.

Step in Racy's and get your "splicing" taken, one of the fine tailors which we now have.

New music, vocal and instrumental, at the Rahway Music Store.

Warren Hove Co. is preparing for a grand social at Gladby's Rink, on the evening of the 23d of April.

It is about the time of year for the Colorado state to be brought to the surface by posthole diggers, etc.

The first annual shower of the season, this section, occurred last Thursday evening. The lightning was very vivid for the time of year.

Paw Paw Wreath—For grand mats, cash or on shares. Address at once E. H. Hayward, Exchange Building, Rahway, N. J. Dwelling walls are rented.

The Board of Directors of the National Birds Association had decided upon April 1st as opening day at Greenwood for the season of 1878.

\$165 dollars goes up there! Payment premium on all coal sales for those at Bayley's, 6 Irving street.

Dime Entertainment at the Grand Street Chapel, on Tuesday evening, 10th inst., at half past seven o'clock. Music, refreshments, &c.

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Fish stock boats and shad cheaper than ever; three per cent, discount on all cash sales at Bayley's.

"The Wallack," a dramatic association composed of some of the best amateur talent in New York city will perform Robertson's comedy, "School," at the Opera House on Friday evening of next week, as will be seen by advertisement in another place. Some of our citizens have witnessed the performances of this association and pronounce it the best they ever saw.

Quarrel on THE HOLY COMMUNION.—Lenten Services.—Friday morning, 9:30; Friday evenings, 7:30; with sermons by the following clergy:—March 15, Rev. Dr. Stinson; March 22, Rev. Mr. Parkman; March 29, Rev. Mr. Drum; April 5, Rev. Mr. Norton; April 12, Rev. Mr. Van Antwerp, Sundays—1 p.m.

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Don't fail to notice the inducements offered in Frank L. Sheldon's new clothing advertisement.

The income tax bill, as it has been proposed, exempts all incomes less than \$2,000. County assessors are not affected by it, therefore.

Up to close of business on Monday, Mr. Unruh, Receiver of the Dime Savings Bank, had paid out \$4,729.67, leaving a balance yet to be paid of \$702.18.

At the union prayer meeting in the 2d M. Church last evening it was announced that the president of the Union, Rev. Mr. Liggett, was detained at home by the severe sickness of his daughter Jessie. Many feeling alms were made to it during the evening, and prayers offered for her restoration to her usual health.

No Mirrors for Him!—One of our enthusiastic poultry admirers was expatiating upon the fine "points" of his Plymouth Rock a few days ago, and said he had a fine "setting of eggs," but, unfortunately he had no hen that wanted to "set." The neighbor came to the door and said he had some Brahmas that were in a "setting" humor and offered the services of one of them to "incubate" the Plymouth Rock eggs. But, he was surprised to hear the "admire" forward indignantly and emphatically decline the offer with—"I'll be— if I want an Brahmas mixture with my Plymouth."

A correspondent writing from Long Branch to the New York papers yesterday gave under date of the 14th the following:—"A storm of very severe intensity has been raging along the portion of the Jersey coast since early yesterday morning. This afternoon your correspondent visited the coast between Sandy Hook and Staten, and found the damage up to the present time has been very slight. Owing to the previous warnings of the approaching storm extra precaution has been taken to be prepared for it."

Many of the simple-minded natives are greatly alarmed in view of a tidal wave that is predicted to be at least forty feet high, and expected to sweep over Long Branch during the latter part of this week. The most serious apprehension is felt by the inhabitants of Hoboken.

A deaf and dumb boy, about nine years, who always resided in this vicinity, died on Friday last, and a few minutes before he died spoke. It was the first time he was ever heard to say a word. It is stated that this summer there would not be enough inhabitants alive in Long Branch to bury the dead, tens of thousands more than as many as visited there some twelve or fifteen years ago, when the spotted fever caused fearful havoc among the natives. Others fear the place will be flooded by the tidal wave.

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The Pennsylvania Railroad Bridge that spans the Raritan river, at New Brunswick, was totally destroyed by fire early in the morning. This bridge formed a link of one of the most important lines of travel in this country or the world..

The bridge was a link of the great network of roads between the North and the South, between the North and the South, and a large portion of that between the East and the West.

The destruction, therefore, is a serious interruption to the commercial interests between the great cities of Boston and New York, and Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington and the West.

The fire was first discovered about ten minutes after the "newspaper" train, or Washington line, had passed over the bridge at 5:30. This was the last train that passed over the structure, and nothing was discovered until that time. Ten minutes later the fire was discovered in the interior of the bridge, nearly all one hundred feet east of the temporary track-work where the operations of building the new pier and iron draw have been in progress. There were two head lights or reflectors burning on the bridge at that point and from thirty to forty men had been working on the pier and iron draw for the last two hours.

Received and placed on file.

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