# Congressional Relvs.

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### THIRTY-FOURTH CONCRESS First Session.

WASHINGTON, May 23. SENATE .--- Mr. Pence from the special committee to investigate the assault Mr. Sumner, stated that it was found impossible to pursue the investigation properly without the power to send for persons and papers, and asked that such power be given the committee. Agreed to, Mr. Weller presented a petition signed by

75,000 citizens of California, bound in two large volumes, asking that a wagon road be constructed to connect California with the Atlantic. He urged the importance of the mensure.

Mr. Weller also introduced a bill for the construction of a military road from the wes-tern boundary of Missouri to Carson Valley. and another for the construction of a military

road from El Paso to Fort Yuma. Mr. Pugh addressed the Senate relative to

Kansas matters. Mr. Pagh objected to the proposition of Mr. Seward, to admit Kansas into the Union under her Free State Constitution, because of the small number of her population, not exceeding 20,000, and because the Topeka

Constitution received but 719 votes. He pursued a course of argument similar to that of the supporters of Donglas' bill, and was very severe in his remarks on Emigrant Aid Societies. He gave, in detail, the reasons why he could not obey the instructions of the Ohio Legislature, and replied to the

arguments of Messrs, Seward and Sumner, Mr Seward introduced a bill to authorize protection to be given to citizens of the United States who may discover deposits of gu-ano. Referred to the Comittee on Foreign Relations.

The Senate then adjourned.

House .- Mr. Beil moved a suspension of the rules to enable him to introduce a resolution calling for specific information connected with all the branches of work on the Capitol Post-Office extensions. He said he wanted the country to see the manner in which the law had been disregarded, and the public money wanted. The motion to suspend was agreed to

Mr. Bell proceeded to show that the Secretary of the Treasury had unnecessarily expended large sums of money in letting the contra ts to the highest, instead of the lowest bidders, with a loss of more than \$100,000 on one of them ; \$16,000 or \$17,000 had been spent in the machinery for raising stone on the Treasury building, or as much as the hoisting and setting would have cost together had the work been performed by contract. He made no charge of corruption against Capt. Meigs, the superintendent, but he was unnecessarily spending money on the Capitoi and post-office extensions, by making the work too heavy and fine. The resolution passed,

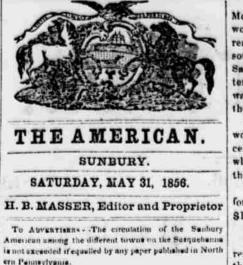
### .... THE INVESTIGATION-MR SUMNER'S CONDIFION

WASHINGTON, May 26 .- The House Com mittee of Investigation waited on Mr. Sumner to-day. He was in bed but gave his testimony in regard to the assault, and was also cross-examined He was unable to sit up during the visit of the committee, but did so a short time to day. He is still very weak, and his physicians counsel him not to move out of the house for a week.

The following is the statement of Mr. Sumner, made under oath :

I attended the Senate, as usual, on Thursday, the 22d of May, and, after some formal business, a message was received from the House of Representatives, announcing the death of a member of that body from Missouri, when, according to usage, and out of respect to the memory of the deceased, on motion of Mr. Geyer, the Senate adjourned.

Instead of leaving the Chamber with the rest on the adjournment, I continued in my



DEMOCRATIC STATE NOMINATIONS.

For Canal Commissioner. GEORGE SCOTT, of Columbia county. For Auditor General,

JACOB FRY, of Montgomery county. For Surveyor General.

TIMOTHY IVES, of Potter county.

EDITOR'S TABLE. Business Notices.

MORE NEW GOODS .- F. Y. Bright & Son advertise a large stock of goods just received. We observe that he has taken his son Edward

into partnership. We congratulate the Junior on his promotion. DRUGS, MEDICINES, &c .-- Wm. A. Bruner late Weiser & Bruner, has received. at the old

stand a large supply of goods as will be seen by his advertisement. GROCKRIEN, &c.-Seesholtz & Petery have just received an excellent assortment of Groce-

ries and other articles in their line at their store in Broadway.

# WANTED.

BST AN APPRENTICE to the printing busi. ness is wanted at this office. An intelligent boy of good character would find a good situation.

# DISMISSAL OF MR. CRAMPTON.

WASHINGTON, May 28. Mr. Crampton was this evening officially informed of the discontinuance of his official relations as Minister of Great Britian neur this Government, and his passports furnished to him.

The Consuls at Cincinnati, New York, and Philadelphia were also dismissed.

GF The War in Nicarsgua is about over The Costa Ricans who attacked Gen. Walker and his party, have retreated to their own state, and left Gen. Walker in undisturbed possession of the government.

CHANGE OF TIME .- The cars of the Sunbury and Erie Railroad, for Williamsport and intermediate places, now leave this place at 3.15 in the night, and at 9.45 in the forenoon. The evening train arrives at 7.30 at Northumberland, and 7 45 at this place. The packet for Harrisburg leaves Northumberland immediately after the arrival of the cars at that place.

There was a fire at Selinsgrove, on and we claim it not on any personal grounds-Thursday evening, a week since. Three but as the natural result of adopting a mote stables were destroyed, and several houses direct, simple, and common sense treatment. were on fire, but were extinguished witbout much injury.

Monday week and lasted two days. Hardly worth fighting for. The ladies at the Fair realized \$490. The Montour House is handomly fitted up and kept now by our old friend

Samuel Brady. The American says the lettet addressed to the prettiest girl in Danville was taken up. It is therefore settled, that there is at least one pretty girl in Danville. Clinton Fisher, severely injured at the iron works, is doing well. Peter Baldy Eaq., re-

ceived at his steam mill 2000 bushels prime wheat. Many a thousand bushels did he send there, years since. The receipts on the Cattawissa rail road,

for April, was \$10,359 for passengers and \$12,108 for freight!

# We received the following from a cor-

respondent at Northumberland. We heard the report of the blast alluded to, without knowing where it occurred. The writer is, however, mistaken in supposing it one of the heaviest in the state. In some of the blasts on the Reading Railroad from 20 to 40 kegs of powder were used ;

HEAVY BLASTING .- One of the heaviest rock blasts, we believe, ever made in this state, was made on the face of the Blue Hill, opposite Sunbury, on Thursday last, by Mr Michael Hennesy. Mr. Hennesy is one of those men who are not afraid of powder. He used in the above mentioned blast, eight kegs f powder, 25 pounds each, and displaced upwards of eleven hundred perches of stone. North'd, May 27, 1856.

The Hosfe Joursan of April 26, alluding to the gratifying dimunition in the mortality from Consumption in New York says :

We learn from Dr. Robert Hunter's "Medical Specialist" for April that, during the first quarter of the present year, the deaths from consumption in this city have decreased thirty one per cent., compared with the corresponding three months of 1854. And,

compared with the same quarter of last year the diminution in deaths from consumption is twenty-five per cent. A similar decrease also marked the closing quarter of 1855. This is certainly very gratifying.

It will be remembered that it is now about two yeaas since Dr. R. Hunter, of New Yorkintroduced his practice, and discussed his views publicly through the newspapers. At

that time the doctor, in the warmth of his discussion, but no doubt judging from the data already existing in his own experience. predicted that, "if every case of consumption in this city were placed under judicious treatment by inhalation, within two years the mor-

tality would be diminished one half." Arguing further on the subject he observes there is scarcely a town or hamlet throughout the Union from which consumptives have not come to submit their cases to our care' The general resort to inhalation could not be unproductive of results. If our treatment had been unsuccessful, it must have increased the mortality. If successful, it could not but diminish it in proportion to that success .-None who are acquainted with the magni-

tude of our practice will deny that it has been, during the past two years, sufficient to exert the most decided influence on the hills of mortality, not only of this city, but also of the cities of Philadelphia, Baltimore and Boston. That that influence has been exerted in the marked decrease in the number

DANVILLE .- Court commenced on | that he was aiding and abetting, and was in | the towns of Kickapoo, Leavenworth. Doniwas entirely an erroneous idea, as he did not even know that Mr. Sumner was in the Cap itol at the time the assault was committed. Mr. Toomba remarked that he was in his seat at the time, and how Mr. Summer could have supposed he saw him near Mr. Brooks, he could not tell. It might be that in the confusion, Mr. Sumner mistook Gen. Gorman for him. In expressing opinious about the affair at the time, some gentlemen condemned it, but he told Mr. Brooks he approved of it.

Mr. Butler said he had just arrived in the city, but he should have assumed all the re-sponsibility which had been taken by his galant relative. He denied in the most emphatic manner, the statement of Mr. Sumner. that what he had said in his speech was strictly in response to what Mr. Butler had

said on former occasious. He understood the State of Massachusetts had passed resolations in reference to the affray, and whe

these resolutions should be presented to the Senate he wanted to speak on the subject as it deserved. Not a single one of the remarks which had been quoted in application to him, was a response to anything he had said upon the Kansas question. His friends in South Carolinz, and some of his friends here, thought he had been remarkably moderate in the character of his remarks. He had

scrupulously avoided saying anything to violate the courtesies of Senatorial debate, and spoken neither of the Senator from Massachusetts, to him, or about him. Mr. Wade said it was impossible for him to sit still and hear such principles avowed as had been on this occasion. As to the facts in reference to the assault he knew nothing

night. about them, and had nothing to say on that point. He was here, in a lean minority, not more than one fifth of the Scrate cutertain-

ing the opinions similar to his ; but when he heard it stated on this floor, that a assassinlike, cowardly attack had been made upon a man, unarmed and having no power to defend himself, and that he had been stricken down and almost murdered, and then heard a Seaator avow, that he approved of such conduct,

it became a matter of some interest and im-portance to all members of the body, and to he minority especially. A brave man could not defend himself against such an attack as this, and he might be overpowered by numbers, but overpowered or not, live or die (said be) I will vindicate the rights of liberty of debate, and the freedom of discussion, so long as I live. If the principle announced here is to prevail, let us come armed for the

combat. Although you are four to one, I am here to meet you. A man can die in no better cause than in vindicating the rights of debate on this floor. If these principles are to be approved by the majority, and become a part and parcel of the law of Congress, let

it be understood. Mr. Wilson thought the explanation of Mr. Slidell was not inconsistent with anything stated by his colleague. He had no idea that Mr. Sumner intended to place Mr. Slidell in a faise position. The Senator from Illipois has (he said) also made his explanation, and I see nothing in that inconsistent with the statement of Mr. Summer. He was stricken down upon this floer by a brutal, murderous and cowardly assault. He would not yield to the Senator from South Carolina, or any other Senator, in debate upon these matters. and any assumption of superiority by the Senator from South Carolina over him or any other Senator representing his views, might pass for what it is worth.

Mr. Butler said that in discussing the resolutions of the Massschusetts Legislature, if he should transgress the bounds of property, it would be because he was provoked to it. He had never been the aggressor, and called upon the Senate to bear witness to the fact. Mr. Wilson recumed-His colleague had stated the facts to the best of his recollection, and it was not to be expected that after such severe blows, which had rendered him unconscious, he could be perfectly accurate in every minute particular. He did not believe Mr. Sumper intended to do injustice to anyof deaths is an inference from the facts, not body. When he shall have recovered, and he only legitimate, but, we think, unavoiding ; able to take his place in the Senate, he would

fact a participant in the assault; but that phan and Atchison were almost deserted The Democrat has information from Kickapoo, stating that a meeting had been held there, at which it was resolved to sack the Kansas Hotel, at Kunsas, City. It was understood to be owned by Massachusetts men and so certain was its destruction considered

that families were moving out. The citizens of Kickapoo have offered a reward of \$200 for the arrest of Gen. Pomeroy, and parties had gone in search of him. M. F. Conway, a writer for the Democrat, and Gen. Schuyler, while en route for St. Louis from Leavenworth, were arrested at Parkville Mo., on the charge of being fugitives. They were detained until information

could be received from Lecompton. Gov. Shannon had been notified of their arrest, but at last accounts no reply had been received from him. The arrest was made on the 8th instant.

### SECOND DESPATCH.

Sr. Louis, May 24 - A gentleman who arrived yesterday from Jefferson City, states that a battle had been fought at Lawrence, in which a number of people had been kil-led on both sides. No further particulars have been received.

### THIRD DESPATCH.

Sr. Louis, May 24 .- A despatch from Boonville to the Republican says, that the town of Lawrence was destroyed on Wednesday. The same day the Hotel at Kansas City,

of choice the steamer, whose arrival is looked for to

### [FOURTH DESPATCH.]

Sr. Louis, May 24 .- The Leavenworth correspondent of the St Louis Democrat says that the Committee of Public Safety to Lawrence have determined to offer no resistance to the U. S. Marshal. An immediate secreting of arms and ammunition took place as oon as this determination became known and the people commenced evacuating the It is said that the Free State men are gath-

ering at Topeka, and will resist, the invaders if they attempt to execute their threats against Lawrence. The settlers from New Haven will sand 100 men, and those from Manhattan the same number.

FURTHER FROM KANSAS. ARREST OF THE U.S. MARSUAL.

Refusal of the people of Kansas to give up their Arms-Cannonading of a Hotel and Newspaper office-City supposed to be destroyed.

Cincago, May 26 .- The Tribune publishes an extra, based upon intelligence brought by three men direct from Lawrence, stating that a company of 400 mounted Missourians made their appearance near Lawrence, on Wednesday lust, bearing banners of various devices, but not the stars and stripes. During the morning, the Lawrence Committee of Safety sent a note to the U. S. Marshal, who headed the force, assuring him that they would make no resistance to any process he might wish to secure, and begging protection of their liver and property. The Marshal made no answer, but at 11

o'clock a Deputy Marshal with a posse often men made his appearance in the city, and summoning four citizens to assist them arrested G. W. Dielsler and G. W. Smith, carrying them off without molestation. Sheriff Jones subsequently made his appearance He attempted no arrests, but with 18 men. he demanded all the public and private arms, giving the people five minutes to acto the demand, and threatening, in case erde of refusal, to stom the town. One field piece was immediate given up, but the people refused to surrender their arms. In half an hour Sheriff Jones returned with two pieces of artillery and an overwhelmning force, and commenced the work of destruction by cannonsding the Free State Hotel and the office of the "Herald of Freedom." The former was burned the types and presses of the latter destroyed. The Tribune's informants left at 8 o'clock in the evening, and when fifteen miles from Lawrence, saw a great light, and volumes of smoke in the direction of that city. They have no doubt that the town is destroyed .---Another messenger who left Leavenworth just before the departure of the boat, says soveral men had been killed by Jones' party. It is feared that Gen. Pomeroy has been received by May 31 1856.\* hung by the mob. Gov. Robinson is at Le-compton, in the hands of the authorities .--Irish Linen, muslins, checks, ticking, table Goy. Reeder is supposed to be in a place of safety, and is daily expected here via Nebrasdisper, furniture check and Turkish counterka and lowa. panes for sale by The mob threaten to hang Robinson, Brown May 31 '56 and Dielsler. The Free State men are gath-Silk, cotton and linen Handke chiefs, fancy ering at Topeks, and will make a stand at that point. Mr. Atchison is somewhere in eck ties, gents' collars, cotton, opera sack and Welsh Flannels, port monnais and the best asthe Territory. The U.S. troops are anxious to protect the settlers, but are not allowed to sortment of Hats and Caps in town for sale by May 31 '56. E. Y. BRIGHT & SON. leave their quarters. BLACK, blue and brown cloth. plain and fau-

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THE American Executive Committee of Northumberland County, will meet in Sun Camphine and Fluid always on hand. Customers will find his stock complete, com bury, on Monday the 4th day of August, 1856. rising many articles it is impossible here to enumerate, and all sold at moderate prices. Remember the place, next door to E. Y. Bright's Mammoth Store. WM. A. BRUNER. at 10 o'clock, A. M A general attendance is requested, as business of importance will be

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# May 31, 1856 .- t4a FAMILY GROCERY. Flour, Feed and Provision store.

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stowed during the past year, and trus: that by strict attention to business, and a desire to please we will continue to receive a share of the same E. Y. BRIGHT & SON.

# Sunbury, May 31, 1856 .-

AWNS, Buff Chambras, Challi, Alpaca Paplin, Silk Lustre, Delanes, Prints, De beges, Bareges, Tissues, Black and Fancy Silks, Scotch, Lancaster, French and English Ging hems. Just received by E. Y. BRIGHT & SON. Sunbury, May 31 1856 .--

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CEDARWARE, Hollow-ware, Glass-ware,

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seat, occupied with my pen. While thus in-tent, in order to be in season for the mail which was soon to close, I was approached by several persons who desired to converse with me, but I answered them promptly and brief. ly ; excusing mysell for the reason that I was much engaged. When the last of these per-sons left me, 1 drew my arm chair close to my desk, and with my legs under the desk continued writing. My attention at this time was so entirely drawn from all other obupon the person of the Hon. Chas. Sumnerof the U.S. Senate, while in his seat in the fects that although there must have been ma-Senate Chamber, as one of the most cowardly and villainons acts ever countenanced in a civilized community. We say countenanced. approached the front of my desk, so entirely because there were those present who profesunobserved that I was not aware of his presence until my name was prononced. As I looked up, with my pen in hand, I saw a tall sed to be men. Senators and others, occupying a high position, who looked on while a man, with whose countenance I was not familliar, standing directly over me, and at the same moment I caught these words : "I have read your speech twice over carefully. It is a libel on South Carolina and Mr. Batler, who is relative of mine." While these words were still passing from his lips, he commencod a succession of how with a heavy cane on my bare head, by the first of which I was so stanned as to lose my sight. I no longer saw my assailant, nor any other person or object in the room. What I did afterwards was done almost unconsciously, acting under the instincts of self defence. With my head already bent down, 1 rose from my seat. wrenching up my desk, which was screwed to the floor and then pressing forward, while he continued his blows. I have no other con-sciousness until I found myself ten feet forward in front of my dask, lying on the floor of the Senate with my bleeding head supporour columns this week. ted on the knee of a gentleman whom recognized by voice and manner as Mr. Mor-THE DEBATE IN THE SENATE ON THE gan of New York. Other persons there were about me offering me friendly asssistance, but I did not recognize any of them. Others there were at a distance looking on and offering no assistance, of whom I recognized only Mr. Douglas, of Ill., Mr. Toombs, of Ga., and I thought also my assailant standing between them. I was helped from the floor and coaducted into the lobby of the Senate, where I was placed upon a sofa. Of those who help-ed me here, I have no recollection. As I en-tered the lobby, I recognized Mr. Slidell, of act. Judge Douglas does the same thing .-Ecusiana, who retreated, but I recognized no one else, until I felt a friendly grasp of the hand, which seemed to come from Mr. Campbell, of Ohio. I have a vague impression that Mr. Bright, the President of the Senate spoke to me while I was on the floor of the Senate, or in the lobby.

I make this statement in answer to the interrogatory of the committee, and offer it as presenting completely all my recollections of the assault and of the attending circumstances whether immediately before or immedi-ately after. I desire to add, that besides the words which I have given as uttered by my assailant, I have an indistinct recollection of the words "old man;" but these are so envelarrogance or bullyism. Mr. Wade remarked : oped in the mist which ensued from the first blow, that I am not sure whether they were debate and the freedom of discussion so long uttered or not.

as I live. If the principle announced here is to prevail, let us come armed for the combat. On cross examination, Mr. Sumner stated that he was entirely without arms of any kind and that he had no notice or warning of any kind, direct or indirect of this assault.

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colleague, Mr. Sumner, who, he said, when Bosron, May 15 .- The accommodation able to be in the Senate, would be ready to train from Albany, when entering the city, meet Mr. Butler, for which Mr. Butler called last evening, came in collision with a carriage him a liar. Mr. Foster truly remarked that in which Wm. McFarland, his wife and Mrss with a liberty of the party of speech Eastis were riding. The two ladies were in-stantly killed, and Mr. McFarland fatally injered. The liberty of the press, liberty of speech. Into Mr. Summer's head, it was impossible for into Mr. Summer's head, it was impossible for into conceive. The published statement might carry the impression to the country in into Marshal Doubleson, and gone to whiskey is firmly held. Barrels ut 29 pts.

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Mr. Wilson, of Massachusetts, defended his

meet you.

A man can die in no better cause

OF SENATORS. WASHINGTON, Muy 27. SENATE - Mr. Trumbull gave notice of his

intention to introduce a bill to prevent civil war in Kansas The bill to provide for the general introduction of a uniform national code of marine signals passed.

Mr. Sildell called the attention of the Senate to the telegraph despatch giving Mr. Sumner's statement before the House Committee, published this morning. Mr. Slidell said that the statement de-

cold blooded assassin was beating down an lores that-"other persons there were old man-a Senator of the United States about me offering me friendly assistance, but and one of the most learned and distinguished I did not recognize any of them. Others there were at a distance looking on and of-fering no assistance, of whom I recognized only Mr. Douglas, of Himois; Mr. Toombs, of Georgia; and I thought also my assailant men of the nation. We have never sympathised with political abolitionism, but there can be no question, that such disgraceful outrages, approved as they are, by many of standing between them. I was helped from the floor and conducted into the lobby of the the Southern people, will do more to advance the cause of the abolitionists than the com-Senate, where i was placed upon a sofa. Of those who helped me here, I have no recolbined efforts of all the members in Congress lection. As 1 entered the lubby, I recogcould have accomplished in the next five nized Mr. Slidell, of Louisiana; who r years. Is this a specimen of the boasted treated, but I recognized no one else, until I Southern chivalry-or has it degenerated felt a friendly grasp of the hand, which into mere bravado and bullyism. Our readseemed to come from Mr. Campbell, of ers will find full accounts of this outrage in

Mr. Slidell said it seemed to him proper to explain his own position relative to this matter, as the published statement might cause a false impression on the public mind When the Senate adjourned that day, he entered the ante-room, where he was engaged in conversation with Messrs. Douglas, Fitz-

It will be seen by the proceedings in the patrick and J. Glancey Jones, and while there seated, was informed that Mr. Summer Senate, on the subject of the ontrage on Mr. Sumner, that the Southern members generhad been badly beaten by Mr. Brooks. He came into the chamber, but there were so ally approve of the cowardly act of Mr. Brooks. Mr. Slidell, of Louisiana explains many persons crowded around Mr. Sumner without committing himself, or expressing that he did not see him at all, and he soon returned to the ante-room, to finish his conone word of disapprobation of the cowardly versation. Having remained there for some time, he was passing through the reception room to go home, when he met Mr. Summer Mr. Toombs, of Georgia, said he had approin the door leaning on two persons whom he ved the conduct of Mr. Brooks. Judge did not know. His face was covered with blood, and as he, (Mr. Slideli) was not on Butler, of South Carolina said he was absent but had he been present, "he should have assuch terms of intercourse with him as to make it necessary to express any sympathy, samed all the responsibility which had been not having spoken to Mr. Sumner taken by his gallant relative." Mr. Wade, of for two

years, he turned aside and went out by Ohio, properly characterized the affair as a another door. He had not the slightest idea, half murder. His remarks breathe a manly before the occurrence took place, that Mr. spirit of defiance that should put to the blush Brooks, or anybody else, had any intention of some of the Northern dough faces. We do attacking Mr. Sumner, and was entirely free from any participation or counsel in the matnot approve of modern abolitionism, but it is infinitely better than submitting to Southern

Mr. Douglas corroborated the statement of been attacked, his first idea was to come in and endeavor to restore quiet ; but upon reflecting that his motives in interfering might misconstrued, he did not enter the Senate Chamber until the affray was over. The crowd around Mr. Summer was then so large, that for some time he could not see him. He saw Measrs, Toombs, Pearce, Crittenden and Evans, all seated in or near their usual seats, but he was not near Mr. Brooks, as stated in the report. This was a total misapprehension

on Mr. Summer's part. Mr. Douglas added, that he had no knowl-edge or suspicion that any assault was con-templated, or would me made here or elsewhere. He did not approach Mr. Brooks, nor speak to him, and was not within fift feet of the Senator from Georgia, (Mr.

be ready to meet the Senator from South Mr. Butler, in his seat, exclaimed-You

are a liar.

Mr. Stuart called the Senator to order, and also urged, as there was no question before the Senate, and it was evident that the de-THE SUMNER GUTRAGE: EXPLANATION bate was becoming acrimonious, that it be postponed till the matter could be considered with more calmness, Mr. Butler apologized to the Senate for

words which had fallen from him in a moment of excitement.

Mr. Foster alluded to the avowal of Mr. Toombs, that he approved of Mr. Brooks' conduct, and thought it incombent on him, as he was a new member of the Sounte, and had not participated in its debates to any considerable extent, to say a word as to the reasons for his course. If he should remain silent now, it might be misinterpreted, and some might suppose his silence was through fear of

like consequences to himself. He wished to disabase the minds of all members of the Senate, if any such misapprehension existed. He had thus far participated but slightly in the debates, because, being a new member, he thought it would be more becoming for him to listen than to speak. But when an intimation of this kind was made, it might be supposed, if Senators did not speak, a passion so hase and unworthy as fear, was the reason of their silerce. He now wished to assert his entire approval of the freedom of speech

here or elsewhere, to be maintained at whatover price, whatever cost, and whatever might be the consequences. If a contrary doctrine should ever prevail in this country, there

would be an end to liberty, for he believed as religiously as he believed any thing, that liberty of the press, liberty of speech, and the liberty of the people would live and die to-

Mr. Trambuli wished to speak on this topic about five minutes, but the hour had arrived for considering the special order.

Mr. Hale moved to postpone the special order to allow Mr. Trumbull to speak. The motion was negatived-yeas 11, nay 29, as follows :

Yeas-Messrs. Collamer, Foot, Foster, Pule, Hamlin, Harlan, Seward, Toembs, Trumbull, Wade and Wilson-11. Nays-Messre, Adams, Allen, Ball, of Fenn., Benjamin, Biggs, Bright, Brown, Butler, Cass. Crittenden, Dodge, Dauglas, Evans, Fitzpatrick, Geyer, Hunter, Iverson, Johnson Mason, Pearce, Pratt, Reid, Slidell, Stuart, Thomson, of N. J. ; Toucy, Weller, Wright,

and Yulee-29.

# FROM KANSAS. St. Louis, May 23 .- The St. Louis Re-

publican of this morning publishes a des-patch from Westport, of the 20th, giving an gears. account of an encounter on the road between Lecompton and Franklin. The correspon-Mr. Slidell. When he heard Mr. Sumner had dent of the Republican, who is eminently a partial witness, says: "Mr. Congrove and Dr. Branson, while going from Lecompton to aged 42 years.

Franklin, were hailed by a party of Free State men, who demanded their names and State men, who demanded their names and destination. Being answered, the com-mander of the party turned to his men, asking their motto. They replied, 'Sharpe's Baffes,' and immediately fired on Congrove and Branson. Branson was wounded, when Congrove shot the leader of the party through the head, and the remainder fled." [The reader will receive this with great cau-

tion. A Free State man was shot at Blanton's Bridge, on the 19th. Particulars not given. It was reported at Kansas City that the inhabitants of Lawrence were preparing to evacuate the place, and had called upon Col.

### STILL LATER.

D cy cassimeres, Kentucky jeans, sattinetts, striped costing, duck linen, tweeds, grensdine silk, silk velvets, plaid and figured vesting, for Sr. Louis, May 26 .- The Lexington (Mo.) Express, Extra, received to night, confirms the destruction of the town of Lawrence. sale by May 31, 1856. After the Marshal had entered the town

and made all the arrests he had writs for. he turned his posse over to Sheriff Jones, whose attempts to make arrests were resisted by the

people, who fired on his men Jones then cannonaded and set fire to the hotel and Herald of Freedom office. destroying both. The artillery were still firing, and the fire spreading when the messenger left.--A few lives were lost.

## MARRIAGES.

In this place, on the 27th inst., by Fred'k Lazarus, Esq., Mr. Jacon RENN, to Miss HARRIET TEATS, all of this place.

At Northumberland, on Tuesday evening the 27th inst, by the Rev. P. B. Marr, Mr W. P. WITHINGTON, of Shamokin, to Miss HANNAH P. COWDEN, of the former place.

Witt, JOHN C. HEYLMAN, ESQ., to Miss So-PHIA N. JONES, daughter of J. R. Jones, all of Harrisburg.

all of Harrisburg.

framing, circular, cross cut and mill saws for Miss ANN FALDS, both of Trevorton. sale by

### DEATHS.

Nay 31 56: E. Y. BRIGHT & SON. At Harrisburg, on the 26th inst. General WM. AYRES, in the 67th year of his age, May at '56. E. Y BRIGHT & SON. In this place, on the 29th inst. ALICE, daughter of Sebastian Haupt, aged about 12

In California, Dr. E. D. HAMMOND

formerly of Milton, Pa. At Port Gibson, Miss., on the 6th inst., W.M. F. EISELY, formerly of this place,

May 28, 1856. GRAIN-The supply of Wheat about equals the demand. Sales of fair to prime red at \$1 35a1 60; and last sales of choice Southern white at \$1 50al 90. Rye is better ; sales at 74 cents, afloat, and 72 cents in store .--Corn is arriving freely; sules of Southern and Penna., yellow at 53 cents, afloat, and

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with Ice Cream. Sunbury, May 24, 1855 .--- 17

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### ORPHANS' COURT SALE OF

VALUABLE LAND In the M'Cauley's Mountain Coal Region.

N pursuance of an order of the Orphans' court of Northumberland county will be exposed to public sale on TUESDAY, the 8th day of JULY

next, at the public house of Peter Billmeyer, in Bloomsburg, Columbia county, Pa., the following described Real Estate, to wit : A Certain TRACT OF LAND,

On McCauley's Mountain, within four miles of the Susquehanna and a short distance of the Cat-tawissa Kailroad, to which a connecting branch-is about being constructed, to allord facilities tor getting coal to market-situate in Beaver township, Columbia Co., Pa., surveyed to Andrew Clark, on warrant dated August 23, 1793; adjoining lands surveyed to Jesse Evans, Jesse Brooks, Catharine Longenberger, George Lon-genberger, Thomas Simons and Daniel Ayer,

CONTAINING 3721 ACRES,

and allowance. Late the estate of John McCalla late of Northumberland county aforesaid dec'd About fifty acres of said land is cleared and under cultivation, with a Stone House and Barn, Spring House, &c., &c., upon it, and several

springs of excellent water. Sale to commence at 10 o'clock, A. M. of said day, when the terms will be made known by ALEXANDER COLT, Adm'r

SHERM, fish, tanners, flaxseed and pins Oil, cum testamenta annezo of John McCalls deo'd. By Order of the Court, C. B. PURSEL, Cik. O. C. D paints, glass, putty, copal varnish, spis. tur-pentine, fluid and paint broshes for sale by May 31, '56. E. Y. BRIGHT & SON. Suntary, May 10, 1586. )

nevels, spirit levels, tape lines, drawing knives, monkey wrenches, nippers, plyers, spring callippers, pinchers, oil stones grind stones, cranks and fixtures, chisel and augur handles for sale by May 31 '56. E. Y. BRIGHT & SON. The Markets. To Builders & Carpenters. The subscribers are sgents for the sale of Doars, Window blinds, Window Shutters, and all sizes of Window Sash, all of which we offer

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Fairbanks' Platform and Counter Scales for ale by May 31; 1856 .-

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On the 22d inst., by the Rev. W. R. De

On the 20th inst., by the same, J. DONALD CAMERON, Esq., to Miss MARY MCCORMICE,