THE GRAIN CROPS.

Much anxiety is felt for the growing crops, all over the country. The backward season is general in its prevalence, and is not only injuring the winter crops, but is preventing the planting of spring crops.—From a circular issued in Chicago we extract the following:

The letters addressed to our Reaper manufacturers and Commission merchants from the States of Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky, Illinois and Iowa, represent the winter wheat as generally killed, and farmers are putting in spring crops when the weather will admit of their doing so. The season is so backward that not more than two-thirds of the usual number of acres can be got ready, and being so late the prospect for what they sow, is rather gloomy. We are still having continued cold, bad weather. If it does not shortly change for the better, we shall not raise enough wheat to feed our people. The immense emigration to Kansas, Nebraska, Iowa and Minnesota, is consuming a large amount in the West. The stock of winter wheat in the country is less than it has been for years.—Millers have been paying extreme rates for it in this city to take back to the interior.

In New York the stock is much reduced; probably not over 50,000 bushels in the city. The millers in the State have light supplies. Receipts of wheat now average four thousand bushels per day.

We give an extract from a letter dated Peru, April 8th:—"Last year all the spring ploughing was done before this, and spring wheat, barley and oats sown before 20th March. Now nothing is sown, and the ground has not admitted of the fourth the necessary plowing. You can rely on this. Also if the next ten days are not very favorable, there is not one chance in ten for either spring wheat, oats or barley, the coming harvest. The winter wheat is all killed in this vicinity." This is the tone of letters from all parts of the State. Also, dated Davenport, April 13th:—"In Rock Island there is no wheat, and no stock of flour. As to the stock of grain held on this River it is extremely light, the greater portion of it having been shipped South. As to the growing crop, a small amount of winter wheat is grown in this section of Iowa, and what little there is in the ground appears poor indeed. Little or nothing has yet been done towards putting out the spring crop, the weather having been unfavorable. Fully two-thirds of last year's crop has already been marketed."

In Michigan, the prospects for winter wheat are represented to be better than in any other State.

The same circular states that the amount of corn in all the North-Western ports and along the Illinois roads is 985,000 bushels against 2,158,000 bushels at same time last year; and that all along the western railroads corn is not only scarce but is going westward and southward instead of eastward.

The amount of wheat in store in lake ports, at this time, is 2,170,000 bushels.—It is reported scarce along the lines of all the railroads

We take with many grains of allowance the statements of Circulars issued by grain merchants in the northwest; but it is not to be concealed that the present prospects of crops, all over the country, is anything but favorable.—*Pitts. Gaz.*

A Disgusted Democrat.

Mr. Carpenter, of the Madison *Patriot*, the organ of the anti-Barstow wing of the Wisconsin Democracy, writes to his paper the following:

"It is well known that, in company with a score of Democrats from Wisconsin, I remained in Washington about a month to aid in so exposing the misdeeds of the 'Forty Thieves' that we should forever be rid of them hereafter, and it must be notorious ere this that most of our endeavors have failed. The hopes for our party in the future are vanished, and we have been cleaned out! The 40 find favor at court, while the old stand-by Democrats who have never been indicted for stealing, gambling, or prejuries are permitted to suck their fingers at a respectable distance.'

That the writer is disgusted, but not unutterably so, with the Administration, is evident from his closing paragraph:

"I am arranging some business preparatory to taking a bee-line for Madison tomorrow or next day, with the full determination that the Union may be rent asunder, the Potomac yeild up its waters to old Ocean, and become as dry as my pocket; Abolitionism revel in rampant luxury and dominion at the National Capital; that Chimborazo may nod its towering head at the feet of a mole-hill; that cholera, yellow fever, croup, and chicken-pox may vomit fourth their pestiferous and devastating miasma to suffocate the poisoned rats of Washington; that lice, frogs, and all the plagues brought upon Egypt by the wickedness of Pharoah may overrun and devastate our country, before I go to Washington again with a view of preventing thieves from filling places of honor and profit."

The Maple Sugar Crop.—The maple sugar season has thus far been a successful one throughout the New England States. In Vermont, it has proved the best for ten years. In Northern New Hampshire, as we learn from the Manchester Mirror, the business has been unusually lucrative, although the late storms have probably closed up the season. Some large yields are reported, and the Minter says, one youth who is fitting for college, has realized enough from a small orchard, the use of which was kindly volunteered him by a wealthy neighbor, to send him to school four terms, and give him a start in one year which it would ordinarily have taken him twice or three times that length to obtain.

☞Work on the Pittsburgh and Erie Rail Road is progressing rapidly, and the indications are that it will certainly be completed to Jamestown Mercer county in contract time. By the first of January next the iron will be doing service between those places and the coal fields.—*Erie Obs.*

The Kansas Registry Fraud.

We have received, says the Pittsburgh *Gazette*, the Leavenworth *Times* of the 11th inst., containing a list of the voters of Leavenworth county, as made out and returned by the bogus Sheriff. It is shown to be a stupendous fraud. According to this registry list the pro-slavery party are in a large majority in Leavenworth city, as well as county. The fact was proven by the election held for Mayor, two days after the publication of the lists, that more than two thirds of the old settlers in Leavenworth, those who had been residents more than six months preceding the election, were staunch Free State men, and it is also notorious that fully three-fourths of all the the new residents are also Free State men. The *Times* proceeds to remark:

Now, it would seem that the Sheriffs duties, under this act were plain enough—He is to make an enumeration of all white persons who are inhabitants of his county, and out of this enumeration select the legal voters and file a list of them in the office of Probate Judge the names of all the legal voters of the county." He has omitted by fraud accident or mistake, at least one hundred Free State voters in this town alone many of whom were among the first settlers of the Territory, and are now among the most prominent men of the county.

It might have been reasonably expected that the officer taking the census would have known that there were three printing offices in the town, but strange as it may seem, he is utterly oblivious of the existence of any other than the two Pro Slavery offices. Those he seems to have visited, as we see in the list the names of the gentlemen who conduct them. But neither the name of the editor of this paper, nor the name of a single employee of the office appears on the list. These omissions, it may be said, are unintentional but we will entertain our opinion upon the subject.

There would seem to be, from this list, about 1700 voters in this county when the fact is that there cannot be less than 4,000; and a close examination of the list will show that a majority of those registered are Pro-Slavery men. Should an attempt be made to correct the list before the Probate Court, no man doubts but that the relative number of Pro Slavery and Free State men would remain about the same notwithstanding the latter greatly outnumber the former.

In view of the above state of the case, the *Times* well remarks, "That it is hoped that these facts will be a sufficient answer to those who think Free Free State men should vote at the June election. All who think they should vote, do not understand the situation of things here; but a few more such demonstrations as this registering process will convince them that the Free State men here understand Kansas affairs about as well as those who have not visited the Territory."

A Narrow Escape of a Train.

A catastrophe rivalling that at the Des Jardines bridge came terribly near happening at the Elymra bridge on the Cleveland and Toledo road. A passenger train consisting of one baggage, one mail and express car, one second and four first class passenger cars filled with emigrants and passengers was going west. As the train approached the Elymra bridge which crosses the Black river, at an elevation of at least forty feet above the water, the locomotive ran over a cow which threw it from the track. It rushed over the bridge, the wheels jumping from cross tie to cross tie, but providentially not breaking through—After passing over the bridge it run down a steep embankment after clearing the abutment by a very few yards, and tumbled over once or twice, and going down about forty feet. The tender broke its coupling, shot ahead about a rod, and also pitched clear over the declivity. The baggage cars followed it, striking head foremost down the embankment, bringing up against a tree. The emigrant car went over about half its length, without upsetting. The passenger cars remained on the track, on the bridge; nobody was killed or seriously injured. The bridge stood the terrible test, with wonderful firmness. It is strange that the locomotive did not rush against the sides of the structure, and crush through, plunging the whole train into the river. It was truly a narrow escape.

The McKim Murder Case—An Important Development.

This morning, a young man named Michael Bonner, an old associate of McKim, the alleged murderer of young Norcross, at Altoona, was brought to this city from Delaware county, and placed in the Central Station. It seems that at McKim's request a subpœna was served upon Bonner, and the officer who served it found him somewhat under the influence of liquor. The upshot of the matter was, that a letter, written to him by McKim, from the prison at Hollidaysburgh, on the 9th of April, was got from him.

The writer of this extraordinary letter almost admits his guilt of the murder, and then earnestly implores Bonner, and others of his old associates, to come to his rescue and swear him out of the difficulty.—McKim lays out the plan of action, tells what sort of a story is to be told, and how the witnesses are to prove an alibi for him. This important document will be sent to the District Attorney of Blair county, and Bonner will be detained here until that officer is heard from.

Those who are familiar with McKim's hand say that the letter is in his handwriting without a doubt.—*Philadelphia Bul.*

The Power of Powder.—On Friday afternoon, the workmen engaged in the excavation of stone, at Quarryville, Ct. had a tremendous blast. Instead of drilling holes, they found a large fissure, into which they poured 1500 lbs of powder, and then stopped up the crevice. When the train was fixed, at least 3000 tons of rock were removed, 1000 tons being thrown from 25 to 100 rods distant. One solid mass of rock, weighing at least 30 tons, was thrown a distance of 80 rods. Fences in the vicinity were completely destroyed, and the tops of trees taken off as clean as done by the axe.

BEAVER ARGUS.

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BEAVER, PA.,

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29 1857.

FOR GOVERNOR,

DAVID WILMOT,

Of Bradford County.

FOR SUPREME JUDGES.

James Veech,

Of Fayette County,

Joseph J. Lewis,

Of Chester County.

FOR CANAL COMMISSIONER,

WM. MILLWARD,

Of Philadelphia.

STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE

The President of the late Republican Convention has appointed the following State Central Committee, viz:

LEMUEL TODD, Chairman.

Simon Cameron,	Joseph Casey,
John J Clyde,	George Bergner,
John M. Sullivan,	William D. Kelley,
Joseph B. Myers,	J M. Sellers,
Henry White,	James Edwards,
Lindley Smith,	J. B. Lancaster,
P. C. Ellmaker,	Jacob L. Gossler,
H. L. Benner,	Edward C. Knight,
David Newport,	Edward Darlington,
William H. Keim,	Wilson Cowell
Peter Martin,	T. J. Worth,
Peter S. Michler,	Samuel E. Dimmock,
Thomas E. Cochran,	David E. Small,
E. M'Pherson,	B. Rush Petriken,
John Penn Jones;	W. P. Miner,
John Laporte,	L. P Williston,
D. Gillespie,	C. B. Curtis,
John N. Purviance,	D. L. Eaton,
Robert P. M'Dowell,	D. E Finney,
John H Wells,	J. R. Edie,
T. J. Coffey,	A. S. Fuller,
John Covode,	Robert M Palmer.

☞The contribution of "W." will receive attention next week.

☞Dr. Tubbs will be at his room, in Bridgewater, on *Monday* next.

☞John Glass, Esq., has been appointed Post-master at New Brighton, in place of C. H. Higby, whose commission has expired.

DIVINE SERVICE.—Rev. Pinkerton, of Allegheny city, will conduct services in the Presbyterian Church, in this this place, on Sunday next, at 10½ o'clock in the morning, and in the afternoon.

☞Hon. John G Montgomery, a Democratic member elect, of the next Congress, from Pennsylvania, died on Friday last, it is said, from the effects of the National Hotel disease.

THE NEW CENT.—It is given out from the mint at Philadelphia, that in the course of the next two weeks, about Three Millions of the coinage of the new cent will be thrown into circulation.

☞A friend has handed us the evidence, given before the Coroner's Jury, in the White murder case, near Washington, Pa., with the request to publish it. We would willingly comply with the request, but on examining it we find it too lengthy for our columns;—it would fill one side of our paper.

☞James Dunlop, Esq., an eminent member of the Pittsburgh Bar, and personally well known to many of our citizens, died at Baltimore, a few days since.

☞The Democratic State Convention re-assembles in Harrisburg, on the 9th of June, to put in nomination two candidates for the Supreme Bench.

☞An Act vacating a certain part of the State road leading from Allegheny to New Brighton, has passed the Legislature.

GONE WEST.—Two of our citizens—Messrs. Cunningham and Clarke—left this place last week, *en route* for Kansas;—the former to discharge his judicial duties, and the latter on business connected with his profession.

☞Col. Sam. W. Black, after being baffled a good deal, has at last been rewarded for his labors in the Democratic cause. He has been appointed Chief Justice of the Territory of Nebraska.

☞R. Biddle Roberts, Esq., has been appointed District Attorney for Western Pennsylvania, in place of Charles Shaler Esq., resigned.

ANOTHER JUDGE.—A bill has passed the Senate by an almost unanimous vote, authorizing the election of a sixth Judge of the Supreme Court, whose duties will be confined chiefly to the city of Philadelphia.

☞Senator Harris, on the 20th inst., presented a petition, numerously signed by citizens of this vicinity, praying the Legislature to grant them protection or remuneration for property destroyed on the Cleveland and Pittsburgh Railroad.

PITTSBURGH AND BEAVER PACKET.—The steamer *Fortune*, Capt. Reno, is now running as a regular Packet between Pittsburgh and Beaver. We are glad to learn, that our clever, obliging and handsome young friend, James F. J. Allison, of this place, officiates as first clerk. He will make a popular officer, or we miss our guess considerably.

NORMAL SCHOOL.—Prof. Curry, as will be seen by his card, in to-day's paper, is about opening a School in New Brighton, for the training of persons who design to make teaching their business. Mr. C has had much experience in teaching, and is undoubtably fully qualified to take charge of a post so important to the community.

NEW CASTLE BANK.—The impression seems to gain ground that the notes of this institution will become current before the lapse of a great while. To this end, a general meeting of the Stockholders is to take place on Monday next, to devise such a plan of action as may be deemed necessary. Waggonseller, the defaulting cashier, has been released from prison, on giving bail, in the sum of $8000, for his appearance at the May Court. He is again on the wing, and it is thought that his sureties—the Messrs. Jarden, of New Castle—will be the sufferers.

Opportunity for Investment.

Our attention has very frequently been arrested upon seeing and reading the descriptions of the working of a Portable Flouring Mill, recently invented, and put in successful operation in Pittsburgh. It is represented as occupying a space of not more than 25 or 30 feet; can be shifted on a dray from point to point with ease; the mill stone is but 28 inches in diameter; may be driven by steam, water or horse power, and is said to have capacity sufficient for grinding two barrrels of flour, or ten to sixteen bushels of corn per hour.

We allude to this new invention at this time solely for the purpose of calling to it the attention of some of our people, and urging them to give it an examination, and test its merits. In the absence of water-power, and the distillination to employ steam, we have long needed something of a miler character in this borough, and the experience of each succeeding day, but serves to augment the need. The difficulties to which we are almost constantly subjected in procuring our flour, and the still greater one of procuring feed for our cattle, are sources of very great perplexity to all the inhabitants. We have long entertained the belief that a good flouring mill, with even moderate capacity, and well managed, would not only be a safe but a profitable investment, in this place. Now, if the mill to which allusion has been made above, is at all what it is represented to be, the obsticles heretofore in the way can be removed with little comparative trouble and expense. We have a number of citizens in our midst, fully competent to give the matter a thorough investigation; and, if the project be deemed practicable, and the mill found meritorious, possess also the energy and means to carry it forward to a successful issue. Who, then, will break the first ground? Who, of our citizens, with capital at present in a dormant state, will gather it up, and put it into active operation, as well for their own individual benefit, as for the general good and convenience of the community? Put the ball in motion.

SALE OF THE MAIN LINE.—The bill for the sale of the main line of the public works, last week passed the House, by a vote of 51 yeas, to 41 nays. The bill contains three or four highly objectionable features—one that it releases the Pennsylvania R. R. Co.—the supposed purchaser—from all taxation; another, that it proposes to loan the credit of the State, in the sum of $830,050 to the Sunbury and Erie Railroad Company. It is hoped and expected that the Senate will strike out these provisions. If so, and the House concurs, the bill will doubtless become a law, and the tax payers may well rejoice that they are relieved of an onerous burden, and a system of stupendous corruption has been broken up.

CAR MANUFACTORY.—The leading business men of New Brighton are pushing forward with much zeal and spirit, the Car manufactory movement, which has recently been initiated at that place. The amount of stock—*Twenty Five Thousand Dollars*—originally contemplated as the basis, we learn, has nearly all been taken; and it is expected that operations for the erection of suitable buildings will be commenced speedily. If this enterprise is carried forward to completion, with the same vigor with which it has been undertaken, it will give an impetus to the business around the Falls, which can not prove otherwise than productive of the most beneficial results.

THE OCEAN TELEGRAPH.—About 650 miles of the cable, out of the 2200 originally designed for the construction of the sub-marine telegraph, are completed. The cable for the entire line is to be shipped by the end of June, and the communication with the other side of the Atlantic is hoped to be established by the middle of July. Think of the idea of the inhabitants of two different countries, with a billowy ocean, near 3000 miles in width between them, transmitting the thoughts of each others with lightning speed, many fathoms below the surface or the water!

SCHOOL TEACHERS.—The following persons have been selected to take charge of the various schools of Borough township:

BEAVER—West End.—E G. Adlington; Assistant, Miss Anna M'Kenzie. East End—Jas. H. Dungan.

BRIDGEWATER.—Wm Reed; Assistants, Misses M. J. Anderson and Emma Dunlap.

VANPORT.—N. I M'Cormick; Assistant, Miss Sarah Jelly.

The schools, we learn, will open on the first Tuesday of *May*.

P. O. DISCONTINUED.—We see it stated that the Post office at old Brighton has been discontinued by the Post-master General. We are uninformed as to the cause—and of course are not prepared to say whether it has been done upon the sole responsibility of that officer, at the request of those immediately interested, or through the interference of outside influence; but it strikes us that the people in that vicinity will be incommoded not a little in consequence of this action.

☞Attention is directed to the card, in another column, of our enterprising friend, Mr. James J. Power. While on a visit to Vanport, a few days since, we took occasion to examine the Lime Kilns constructed by him, as well as the veins of Limestone from which he takes his "raw material," and from our knowledge of both we can readily recommend his Lime as being of a superior quality, and his facilities for its manufacture inferior to none in the neighborhood.

ELECTION OF SUPERINTENDENT.—On *Monday* next, it will be borne in mind, is the day fixed by law, for the meeting of the School Directors, for the purpose of choosing a Superintendent of the Common Schools of this County, for the ensuing three years. The occasion is an important one. We trust that the right spirit will be carried into the Convention; and that a disposition will be manifested to select no one who is not amply qualified for so responsible a trust.

IN FULL BLAST.—We are glad to learn that our friend, Jonathan Paul, of Freedom, whose Carding and Spinning Factory was destroyed by fire, a year or two since, has, with commendable perseverence, again rebuilt his establishment, has stocked it with excellent machinery, propels it with steam power, and is now in the full tide of operation—carding rolls and spinning yarn promptly, and in a superior manner.

☞On the 18th, Mr. Willoston, of Tioga, introduced into the House, a bill providing that hereafter the amount of property to be exempted from levy and sale on executions, and distress for rent, shall be Five Hundred Dollars, instead of Three Hundred, as at present, under the act of April, 1849.

For the Beaver Argus.

COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT.

MR. EDITOR:—We are on the eve of an important county election. On Monday the 4th of May next, the School Directors in the various counties in the State are required to meet in Convention and elect a County Superintendent of common schools to serve for the term of three years.

We trust that the apparent apathy manifested on the subject of this election in this county is not to be ascribed to a want of interest in the cause of education, but simply from an honest, though we think a mistaken conviction, as to the real utility of the office.

Whatever doubt these may entertain on this subject, we are satisfied that much good might result from the labors of an energetic and faithful County Superintendent. It is not our intention however to discuss the practical benefits which might result from a proper supervision of our schools. The office must be filled by some one. We cannot receive the State appropriation or comply with the law, unless we proceed to elect some individual to perform the duties of superintendent.

It behooves the directors therefore as faithful guardians of our educational interests, to do the best they can in this behalf, and appoint a well qualified and competent person. We would suggest the name of Mr. R N. Avery, of Freedom, as a gentleman in every respect qualified to perform the duties of the office with energy and ability. Mr. Avery has just come to reside among us, and is comparatively a stranger to many of our citizens. He is well known however in the state, as one of our most experienced and successful teachers. He has had charge of the First ward Public school of Pittsburgh for several years. Mr. Avery if elected would bring to the office a large experience in the various methods of teaching and thorough acquaintance with the wants of our schools. Though at present in charge of the First Ward school, we are authorized to say that Mr. Avery will accept if elected, and we also believe that to elect him would be the best thing for the cause of education we could do.

A DIRECTOR

List of Jurors drawn for the Term commencing on the First Monday of June 1857:

GRAND JURORS.

Big Beaver—George Powers.
Borough—Ralph Russell.
Brighton—William Strock.
Chippewa—J. P. Welsh.
Darlington—Robert Dilworth and Agnew Duff *Foreman*.
Economy—Charles Brown.
Freedom—John Nickum.
Greene—Isaac Enton.
Hanover—Wm Dungan, Wm Hise and Rezin Wilcoxin.
Hopewell—Wm Todd.
Independence—John Ferguson.
Moon—Isaac Campbell.
New Brighton—Samuel Funkhouser and E. O. Waddel.
North Sewickly—John Ferguson, Andrew Jackson, Michael Main David Kennedy and John Yohe.
Ohio—Matthew Johnson.
South Beaver—Presley Huffman.

PETIT JURORS.

Borough—John R. Anderson, Paul Heverling and Joseph Strock.
Chippewa—David Ferguson and John Wilson.
Darlington—James Burns, Jno. Cain and Samuel M'Cowan.
Economy—William Durr and James Steel.
Freedom—Thos. H. Cooper and W. W. Kerr.
Greene—James Cameron.
Hanover—Wm Carothers, Thos. Scott and John Witherspoon.
Harmony—Louis Pfeil.
Hookstown—James Boyd.
Hopewell—Wm A Thompson.
Industry—George Eagles and Henry Noss.
New Brighton—C. R. Tuttle and Wm Wilde.
New Sewickly—Henry Goehring, Halbert Oliver and T. F. Robinson.
North Sewickly—John Swick.
Ohio—Thos H Mason.
Pulaski—Samuel Garber.
Raccoon—Leonidas Crail Joshua Hunter Wm M'Clure Andrew Purdy and Ross Taggart.
Rochester bor—John Nelson.
Rochester tp.—Hugh Irwin.
South Beaver—Spencer Briggs and Andrew Graham, Jr.

A Telegraph to San Francisco.

The New York Mirror announces that some enterprising gentleman of that city have determined upon establishing a direct line of telegraph to San Francisco.—The plan is not yet fully matured; but when perfected, it will embrace a preliminary expedition under the auspices and protection of the Government party, which is soon to start on an engineering tour, for the purpose of laying out (under the recent act of Congress,) a Military Road to the Pacific.

The telegraph party, which is to accompany the military expedition, will probably consist of some forty or fifty persons and will be amply supplied with mules and camels for the purpose of crossing the continent with safety and despatch. The party will start from Omaha City, in Nebraska, to connect by telegraph with St Louis, follow the Platte river to the South Pass, and thence direct across to San Francisco. This is an immense enterprise, and one which requires a large outlay of labor and capital. Should it prove successful, and the submarine telegraph be laid successfully in July, London and San Francisco will be within hailing distance of each other, and the quotations on 'Change in the metropolis of Europe will be bulletined in the Golden City within an hour.

Vertigo, Extreme Languor and Exhaustation—Will not trouble you after using one bottle of Boerhaves Holland Bitters.—Take half a tea-spoonful regularly, one hour before meals—eat moderately—take a short walk before breakfast, and you will find that all that has been said of this remedy is true. Try it; it rarely fails to relieve Sick Headache, Weakness of any kind, Acidity of the Stomach, or any symptom of Dyspepsia.

Telegraphic.

WASHINGTON CITY, April 24.—The Governorship of Utah has been tendered to Maj. Ben M'Culloh, and it is believed that he will accept the appointment. A letter is now on its way to him, requesting his presence in Washington. The design of the administration is to pursue a peaceful policy towards Utah, in order that the laws shall be executed, and the rights of every inhabitant in the territory protected without recourse to arms.

The Postmaster General has concluded a contract with the Panama Railroad to convey the mails until the expiration of the present contracts, with the steamship companies, for two years hence, at the rate of $200,000 per annum.

WASHINGTON CITY, April 24.—The charges against Gov. Izard of Nebraska having been withdrawn, he will be removed on the ground of public expediency. It is probable a successor will be chosen from a non-slave-holding state.

Carrying the Mail.

WASHINGTON CITY, April 25.—The Postmaster General made a temporary contract with W. C. K. Gamson for semi-monthly service between New Orleans and Vera Cruz.

Contracts for about 1500 mail routes, principally in New England and New York, were let out to day by the Postmaster General. These contracts are somewhat more expensive than the preceding ones.

Loss of the Ship Volante.

NORFOLK, April 25.—The barque *Elize* from Cuba, with a cargo of sugar and molasses, and bound for New York, put into this port to-day looking badly. The ship *Volante*, from New York, is lying a total loss on the eastern shore of Maryland.—Her loss will amount to from $30,000 to $40,000, principally on the merchants of Norfolk and North Carolina.

Later from Kansas.

QUINDARO, K. T., April 25.—Secretary Stanton has published an address to the people of Kansas, in the *Lecompton Union*. He says that the administration recognizes the authority of the territorial legislature, the validity of the territorial laws, and especially recognizes the act providing for a constitutional convention.

He presumes that the Convention will submit the vital question of the domestic institutions of the State for a subsequent vote of the people, and thinks that Congress will admit Kansas as a State immediately. He recommends a general amnesty of past enmities and prosecutions.—He expects Governor Walker there by the middle of May.

From St. Louis.

ST LOUIS, April 27.—James S. Rollins recently recommended for Governor by the American Convention announces himself as a candidate for that office in opposition to the National Democracy.

Gov. Jackson has fixed the 3d of August for an election to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Gov. Polk.—The election of Supreme and other Judges will take place on the first Monday of August.

CHICAGO, April 27.—The latest intelligence from the scene of the Indian troubles in Minnesota, are to the effect that on the 12th a battle was fought at Watouwan river 30 miles above Mankato, between the Indians and the St. Peter volunteers under General Dodd, 12 Indians were killed and several were wounded. The volunteers did not lose a man.

Steamboat Collision.

Evansville, April 27.—Yesterday the steamer Rainbow, while ascending the Ohio, opposite Slim Island, about four miles below Mt. Vernon, came in collision with the Julia Dean bound for the Wabash river. The Dean struck the Rainbow's starboard side, breaking a hole in her hull sinking her off immediately. Five or six persons were drowned; four of them were deck hands. The Dean's cargo is a total loss, but it is insured. The boat had no insurance. The Rainbow is but little damaged.

Boiler Explosion.

Toledo, Ohio, April 27.—The boiler of the steam planing mill of Raymond & Hathaway, in this city, exploded this morning, seriously injuring five persons. One has already died and two others are not expected to recover. The building was almost entirely demolished.

MINNESOTA.—Gov. Gorman has issued his proclamation requiring the members of the council and House of Representatives of the Territory of Minnesota to meet at St Paul on Monday next for the purpose of providing by law for holding Courts, and for enacting such laws as may be deemed necessary to enable the people to form a State Constitution, preparatory to being admitted into the Union as a State; also, for the purpose of disposing of the grant of lands made by the Congress of the United States at its last session, to aid the territory of Minnesota in constructing certain designated railroads therein.

VALUABLE DISCOVERY OF COPPER.—The Front Royal (Va.) Gazette informs us that James B. Hope, Esq., of that place, after long search among the Blue Ridge mountains, in the neighborhood, expects to be rewarded for his perseverance. He had discovered a vein of copper on the farm of Dr. Ambler, situated about three miles from Linden station, the lines of Rappahannock and Fauquier counties running near or through it. The discovery promises to be one of great value to the parties interested. The vein is supposed to be about one and a half miles long and thirty feet in width, and so far as investigated will yield from seventy to seventy-five per cent pure copper.

☞Hon. John A Spencer formerly Secretary of the Treasury, died at Utica, N. Y, on Saturday.

Collector Absconded.

Louisville, April 27. Charles Veeburg, Collector of the Cincinnati and Louisville Mail Boat Company, has absconded. He is $3000 in arrears of collections.

Puzzle About Wheat.—A very sudden and entirely unexpected rise has taken place in wheat. This results from the late general disaster attending the wheat crop of this year. The extraordinary cold and unfavorable season has destroyed many hundred thousand acres of wheat that a few weeks since was promising enough.

We understand that some very heavy wheat consuming prophet in St Louis is predicting that "good wheat" will soon bring $2 a bushel. It will be time then for the camel to come!—*St. Louis Intel.* 20th inst.

A "Wise and Useful Spiritualist."—A Correspondent of the Spiritual Clarion, writing from Montgomery, Texas, says:

"I am now writing in the house of Mr. Wm M Rankin. He is about 70 years of age; worth about $50,000, and looks as though he was not worth one red cent or had sense enough to get out of a shower of rain without some warning thunder.—Yet he has been a good, wise and useful spiritualist seven or eight years."

☞The next election for members of Congress, will take place in Virginia on the 26th of May.

TO THE MILLION.—Prof. Wood, of St. Louis, has, after years of deep study and and untiring research, succeeded in presenting to the public an article superior to any now in use, and indeed it is truly a wonderful discovery—we advert to his Hair Restorative; the only article that has been completely successful in cheating age of his gray locks, removing dandruff, itching, scrofula, &c. It restores the gray-headed to more than the original beauty adds new lustre to locks already luxuriant having the effect on coarse, harsh hair to render it glossy and watery; fastens permanently hair that is loose or falling, and many other qualities which will become known as soon as used.

The pride of mankind is singularly developed in the keeping and arrangement of the hair; perhaps from the fact that it is the only portion of the human body that we can train in any way we choose; how important then, having this portion left to our care, that we should use all the means science has placed in our hands to render it beautiful and permanent. If you would have beautiful hair, glossy hair, permanent hair, hair with its natural color elegantly preserved to ex reme old age, don't fail to purchase Wood's Hair Restorative.—[Daily Iowa State Gazette. ☞Sold by Dr. O Cunningham, of Beaver, and Druggists generally.

A Recipe that Rare'y ever fails to cure a cold.—Now, while winter, with its barren of Colds and Coughs, is with us, we think a remedy that will relieve such afflictions should be highly prized, and all who know the worth of this remedy, will do as we do—prize it doubly. Take a double dose of Dr. Sanford's Invigorator, and it will give greater relief than any other medicine we ever tried, for we have rarely to repeat the dose to be entirely free from Cough, and as soon as the lungs have time to throw off the collected matter, the cure is complete. As a family medicine, for the cure of Bowel Diseases, Worms, Derangement of the Stomach and Liver, we can recommend it knowingly.

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BEAVER MARKET.

BEAVER, April 29 1857.
(*Corrected Weekly*)

FLOUR—Per hundred	$3.50
RYE FLOUR—per cwt	2.00
BUCKWHEAT—per cwt	3.00
WHEAT—per bushel	1.20
RYE—per bushel	65
CORN—per bushel	65
OATS—per bushel	35
BEEF—round	7
PORK—round	7
BUTTER—per pound	20
EGGS—per dozen	14
POTATOES—per bushel	1.25

PITTSBURGH MARKET.

PITTSBURGH, April 28 1857.

FLOUR—Ex. $6.12½ 6.25, Family 6 37½	50
WHEAT—per bushel	1.20
CORN—per bushel	68
RYE—per bushel	68
OATS—per bushel	43
HAY—per ton	15
POTATOES—per bushel	40
BUTTER—per pound	20
EGGS—per dozen	12
BACON—shoulders 9½; hams 12; sides	

MARRIED.

On the 21st inst., by Rev. J. Allison, *David O'Connel Patterson*, of Brighton, to Miss *Ella* daughter of the late Hon John Dickey, of Sharon.

DIED.

On Thursday, the 23d inst., at the residence of Sylvester Dunham Esq., Mrs. *Rachel Hannah Morris*, in the 25th year of her age.

On the 15th inst., at his residence in Brighton Tp., Mr. *Thomas Kelly*, aged 25 years.

Notice.

To the School Directors of Beaver County

GENTLEMEN:—In pursuance of the 43d section of the Act of 8th May, 1854, you are hereby notified to meet in Convention, at the Court House in the borough of Beaver, on the first Monday in May, 1857, being the fourth day of the month, at 1 o'clock in the afternoon, and select, viva voce, by a majority of the whole number of Directors present, one person of literary and scientific attainments, and of skill and experience in the art of Teaching, a County Superintendent, for the three succeeding years; determine the amount of compensation for the same, and certify the result to the State Superintendent at Harrisburg; as required by the 39th and 40th sections of said act.

S. H. PIERSOL,
April 15 1857. County Superintendent.

We are requested to announce the name of M. A. ANDERSON, of Baden, as a candidate for County Superintendent.

We are requested to announce JAMES R. WILSON, of Borough tp., as a candidate for the Superintendency of the Common Schools of Beaver county.

We are requested to announce S. H. PIERSOL, the present County Superintendent, a candidate for re-election to the same office.

Carriage for sale

A friend has left with the subscriber, *for sale*, a very fine one horse carriage, suitable for a family. It will be sold low.

April 29, '57. DANIEL AGNEW