

# Fire in Washington

or in the senate, he had attained a summit that few, if any, can venture to hope for. If public opinion estimated this at a standard beyond that of all his contemporaries, his performances, when animated by his subject, never disappointed expectation. In this respect, his place in the country will not be easily filled; and in the indelible and successful application of his talent and industry, his example, which is all that is now left, will we trust, not be without its usefulness to those who travel after him the paths of honorable fame.

F. Gaz.

The Norfolk Herald of the 18th inst. contains the particulars of a tale of villainy by which a Mr. B. Fleury, of N. York, is a severe sufferer. Two Frenchmen, by the names of Vacarie and Beuf, had succeeded in selling to Mr. Fleury brass filings for gold dust to the amount of \$5,488, with which they decamped, and repeated the experiment it appears, upon some other credulous person in Philadelphia, to the tune of \$7000!—They have however, both been caught at Norfolk, and lodged in jail; though no money of consequence was found on them, but several more bags of imitation gold dust.

## STEAM CARRIAGE.

An ingenious cotton spinner, of Adwick, near Manchester, has invented a Locomotive or Steam carriage, for the conveyance of goods or passengers without the aid of horses. After repeated experiments, during the last two years, he has so far succeeded as not to leave a doubt but that it will answer the purpose intended. It will go upon any of the mail roads, up hill or down, at the rate of nine or ten miles an hour; and can be guided with the greatest ease on the most difficult roads.

From the New York Gazette. Extract from Kingston Jamaica Feb. 9

By letters received yesterday from London, of the 3d of January, I am informed that our ministers have made known their intentions as to the intercourse shortly to take place between America and the British West Indies; whence sugar, rum, coffee, and other articles, are to be permitted in any quantity to be exported and there appears only one difficulty to be overcome, which is the countervailing duties they are anxious should be imposed by the authority of parliament in place of the colonial legislatures. This must be submitted to rather than forego the boon conceded, which is much more than was ever contemplated.

Washington, Pa. Feb. 25.

## FIRE!!

The inhabitants of this place were roused from their beds on Saturday night last, by the cry of fire, at about twelve o'clock—and was discovered to proceed from the back room of Thomas M. T. McKennan's law office. The office which was a frame building, and a two story frame house on the adjoining lot, were consumed in despite of the efforts of the citizens. The dwelling house of Mr. McKennan and the elegant stone house of Dr. J. J. LeMoine, on the opposite side of the street were in imminent danger, though saved from the flames. Mr. McKennan, saved his papers and books the loss of property belonging to Wm. G. Stone and Amos Denormandy, who occupied the frame house, was considerable as there was sufficient time to remove almost all the goods, &c.

But, all this was a very small matter to what followed—Soon after the fire was chiefly extinguished, and the citizens had principally dispersed the stack of chimneys in the two story frame house fell and killed four persons and severely wounded five others

who had all remained on the ground as a watch over the fire. The names of those killed are.

Henry Taylor, a young man 17 or 18 years age, son of Mr. Matthew Taylor, near this borough.

James Wilson aged 14, son of John Wilson Esq of this place.

Jeremiah Decker, jr. a married man and by trade a stone mason, son of Jeremiah Decker of this borough; and Joseph Decker, a small boy of the same family.

## Those wounded were:

Thomas M. T. Kennan, esq. by a severe contusion in the small of the back.

Thomas Morgan, esq.—Right leg broken below the knee, and cut and bruised in his body and head.

Alexander Addison, esq. his left wrist dislocated, and an extensive fracture of the skull.

James Wilson, a young lad of 14 or 15 years of age brother of Hugh Wilson, mason, severely bruised in head body and limbs.

A young lad named Linville of Wheeling street injured.

John Rettig, jr. son of widow Rettig wounded in the knee.

A son of Mr. Nicholas Lingenfelder got a deep cut in the leg above the knee, before the fire was subdued, by a piece of iron about the engine.

## ANIMAL INSTINCT.

We do not think the records of instinct ever contained a more extraordinary instance than we are now about to relate and for the truth whereof we pledge our lives. A few days since Mr. Joseph Lane, of Fascombe, in the parish Ashelworth in this county, on his return home, turned his horse into a field in which it had been accustomed to graze. A few days before this the horse had been shod, all fours, but unluckily had been pinched in the shoeing of one foot. In the morning Mr. Lane missed the horse, and caused an active search to be made in the vicinity, when the following singular circumstance transpired:—The animal, as may be supposed feeling lame, made his way out of the field by unfastening the gate with his mouth, and went straight to the same farrier's shop, a distance of a mile and a half. The farrier had no sooner opened his shed than the horse which had evidently been standing there some time advanced to the forge and held up the ailing foot; the farrier instantly began to examine the hoof, discovered the injury took off the shoe and replaced it more carefully: on which the horse immediately turned about and set off at a merry pace for his well known pasture. Whilst they chanced to pass by the forge, and on mentioning their supposed loss, the farrier replied, "Oh he has been here and shod, and gone home again;" which on their return, they found to be actually the case.

Cheltenham Chron.

## From the Montreal Herald.

### A BOLD MANŒUVRE.

Yesterday as an American farmer had just stopped, in the New Market his sleigh laden with pork and other good things, an Irishman of the lower class advanced respectfully to him enquiring "whether your honor wants assistance to unload or sell your things" to which the latter answered in the negative and entered a tavern to get some biters. But he had scarcely been absent a moment, when the obliging applicant jumped into his seat gathered up the reins smacked his whip, and by the exertion of excellent span of horses, quickly disappeared. As soon as Jonathan could recover from his amazement which was pretty considerable, he hired about a dozen carriages and sent them in pursuit; but as the fugitive had got much the start and would doubtless not spare his cattle (nay if hard pressed would probably throw some of the cargo overboard) the chase we believe was not very successful. Such have been the particulars given us of the daring

theft, for which our national sensibility makes us deeply blush.

## NEWSPAPERS.

Periodical newspapers are sources from whence most readers may draw information, and it must be allowed, that they have contributed more to general knowledge, than any other species of writing. Amongst the works of this kind, newspapers may be called the original stem from which branched out all the literary ephemera of succeeding times. Before newspapers were in use, local knowledge was so circumscribed, that few gentlemen knew more of politics or contemporary affairs than what government pleased to discover. These maps of science were first published in the second year of Charles II. by some members of the royal society established in 1662. Sir Roger D'Estrange was the first Editor, and the first newspaper marked 1663, as a memorable epoch in the annals of literature.

London paper.

## Situation of France.

The French budget, as reported to the chamber of deputies on the 27th of November last after stating the receipts of the treasury at 890 millions of francs, thus sums up the situation of France: "Such a result of the termination of calamities, which in any other country an age would scarcely be sufficient to efface, evinces among us resources triumphant over the most adverse situations. What other nation besides France would be able, after what she has suffered, even up to 1818, by war and other unhappy circumstances, to present in three years the spectacle which she this day offers! Her political engagements punctually fulfilled; her territory free and tranquil; her commerce and industry increasing in activity; her treasury always full; her securities advancing to par; all her capital in employment whether to acquire, to construct, to repair, or to give an impulse to works of public utility."

A Congregation of colored people of the Presbyterian denomination, has been lately organized in the City of New York.

Frankfort, Dec. 24

The reports are all warlike for some days past.

A letter from Wilna adds, that the emperor Alexander is shortly expected at the head quarters at Minsk, where he will have an interview with the generals in chief of the armies of the south and west.

The legislature of this state have it in contemplation to adjourn the 26th of March inst.

The Loan Office Bill has been lost in the Senate, as well as in the House of Representatives.

## PUBLIC VENDUE.

WILL be exposed to sale by public outcry on Saturday the 23d inst. at the dwelling of the subscriber in the borough of Bellefonte, the following property, viz.

One Eight day Clock, one Fresh Milch Cow, household & kitchen furniture, Hogs, &c. &c. Terms made known on the day of sale.

JOSEPH BUTLER.

## Turnpike Road.

Agreeably to a resolution of the board of Managers of the Centre and Kishacoquillas Turnpike Road Company, proposals will be received for making about twenty two miles of said road at the following places, viz.

At the house of William Thompson in Kishacoquillas valley, on Tuesday the ninth day of April next, for about

seven miles, commencing at Abner Reed's, and ending at the foot of the

long mountain. At the house of John Kerr in Pennsvalley, on the Thursday next following, for about four miles, beginning at the foot of said mountain and ending at Potter's mills.

At the house of Evan Miles, in Bellefonte, on the Saturday next following, for about eleven miles, commencing at Potter's mills aforesaid, and ending in Bellefonte.

A Committee of the board of Managers will attend upon the route a week previous to the days of sale, in order to shew the ground to persons disposed to contract for making the road.

By order of the Board,  
PHILIP BENNER, Pres.

March 8, 1822.

## PROPOSALS,

By George Getz of the borough of Reading, Pennsylvania

## FOR PUBLISHING BY SUBSCRIPTION, A-COLLECTION

## OF ALL THE USEFUL PRECEDENTS

IN THE OFFICE OF A JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, Revised and corrected by a gentleman of the Bar.

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Embracing upwards of one hundred useful forms, as approved of and practiced by the most eminent conveyancers, the whole being intended to form a compendium of knowledge which will be found eminently useful in the office of every Pennsylvania Justice of the Peace and in the hands of every person who aims at being a correct & expeditious conveyancer; and every as every possible care will be taken to render the work complete, and which the publisher flatters himself himself will supersede more expensive many minor and imperfect works, which rather tend to perplex than instruct.

Besides other useful information there will be appended to the work:

1. A vocabulary, containing all the Latin Law Terms in general use, with their definitions.

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3. A table showing at a single glance, the number of days from any day in one month to the same day in any other month.

## Conditions.

The work will be printed on the first quality writing paper, in quarto form, with entire new type, and will contain about 150 pages.

The price to subscribers will be 125 cents per copy, neatly bound with morocco back, and lettered.

Any person procuring 10 subscribers, and becoming responsible for the money, shall be entitled to a copy gratis.

The work will be put to press as soon as 500 subscribers are obtained, and finished with all possible despatch.

Subscriptions are most respectfully solicited by the publisher, at his printing office and book-store, South Callowhill Street, Reading.

Reading March 2, 1822.

## NEW GOODS.

The Subscriber, thankful for past favors, informs his friends and the public in general, that in addition to

this time opening a handsome general assortment of

## Dry Goods & Groceries,

suitable for the Spring season; which he will be enabled to sell at the lowest prices for Cash or country produce.

## John M'Kee.

Bellefonte, March 6, 1822.  
N. B. The highest price given for clean linen & cotton rags, bees-wax, tallow, Deers horns, ox and cow horns at his store.

## CAUTION.

Whereas we gave Samuel Osborne a promissory note for twenty one dollars. We therefore caution all persons from taking an assignment on said note, as we are determined not to pay the same unless compelled by law.

JAMES BROWN,  
WILLIAM BROWN.  
March 2nd 1822.

## NOTICE.

All persons indebted to the estate of Phineas Davidson, late of Halfmoon township, deceased, are requested to make immediate payment, and those having demands to present them for settlement.

JOHN P. DAVIDSON,  
Acting Administrator.  
Feb. 15, 1822.

## TO LET

A valuable tract of land, situated in Pike township, Clearfield county, containing three hundred acres, NINETY of which is cleared and under good fence, with a good house and kitchen and log barn, with a bearing orchard thereon consisting of two hundred trees. ALSO, ONE HUNDRED ACRES of Woodland for sale, part of which is first rate bottom; for which an indisputable title will be given by the subscriber.

JOHN FERGUSON.  
Nov'r 8, 1821.

## NOTICE.

ALL Persons indebted to the estate of the late WILLIAM PETRIKIN, are requested to make payment, and those having demands, to present them for settlement immediately.

HENRY PETRIKIN,  
acting executor.  
Dec. 3d. 1821.

## Bank Note Exchange.

IN PHILADELPHIA.

United States Branches,	1/2 ct. dis.
Boston,	1 do
New-Hampshire,	2 do
Connecticut,	1 do
New-York City banks	par
New-York country notes	1 to 5 dis
New-Jersey.	
Trenton,	1 dis
Mount Holly,	par
Cumberland,	do
Newark,	do
Brunswick Bank,	do
Sussex Bank,	do
State Bank at Trenton,	do
At Elizabethtown	do
At Morristown	do
At Patterson	do
At Brunswick	do
Pennsylvania.	
Philadelphia notes,	par
Germanstown	do
Easton Bank,	do
Camden	do
Chester county Bank,	do
West Chester	do
Montgomery county Bank,	do
Northampton Bank,	do
Farmers Bank, Lancaster,	do
Harrisburg Bank	do
Far. Bank Bucks co.	do

BANK NOTES AT A DISCOUNT.  
Reading, 3  
Old Bank of Carlisle, 2  
New Hope Bridge, 1  
Bank at Milton, 15  
Chambersburg, 2  
Little York, 2  
Gettysburg, 2  
Swatara Bank, 3  
Pittsburg Notes, 1  
Centre Bank, 20  
Columbia bridge com. 2  
Greensburg, 10  
Brownsville, 10

All the rest of Pennsylvania notes of Incorporated banks no sales

Justices and Constables Fee Bills, neatly executed, for sale at this office.