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Ette, October 13, 1–49.

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I tem, offer to sell their entire stock of Suoves for cash only, at
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with the dim of enterprise and industry, has touched fite, Nov. 17, 1849.

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Real House, where he hopes by strict attention to business to meri-shate of public patronade. Naval and Military Uniforms made to order. Cutting done for allers with produces. Erie, December 15, 1849;

BAY STATE SHAWLS. JUST received by Express, another for of those Long Shawls, longether with a fine for of Colbred Meranocs, Cosbiniers, Designes, &c. agoing cheap at C. B. WRIGHT'S, Etic, December 15, 1840. NOTICE.

Trie, Nov. 8, 1819.

Brass Clocke. OF a superior kind in regard to finish, durability. Patent Leve and Gothië Clocks, Office and Marine time pieces 24 Erie, Dec. 8, 1849. LEWIS' Gotthe Hall, Galvanic, Guilding and Silvering.

WOSE having watches, that they want made ito appear the solid gold, can have it done to their eath-faction by calling free, Dec. 8, 1849.

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CHRISTMAS PRESENTS. A LARGE supply of Christmas and New Your's Presents Ju received. Fanta Clause will have no trouble in making a s lections, if he caffs at LeW Is. Gothic Hall.

NEW GOODS. THE subserbers have just received a large and well, relacted assortances of Fall and Winter Goods, conststing of DRY GOODS, GROCERIES, HARDWARE, CROCKERY, &c. In the stock, tray be found every variety of seasonable Dress Goods for Ladge, Pikuwis, Hosiery, Gloves, etc. also Choka and Cassameres of all qualities and colors. They make their old customers and flie/hublic generally to call and camine the above stock before purehaving elsewhere. JAMES HUGHES & Co. Eric, Nov. 8, 1849.

PRINTS!! PRINTS!!! 13. 155 YARDS English a: 4 American Prints, some as Enic, Nov. 17, 1-49. FALL AND WINTER MILLINERY.

One Dollar per Yard. A FINE assortment (all wool) French Marinnes, assorted colors,
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assortment of silk and wool Marinoes, embroy dered Cashmeres
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SODA BISCUIT. ODA Biscuit by the hox or pound. Lonon Crackers, Picnic do., Butter do. and Hard Bread can be found at the Keyslone ecery, No. 77 Poor Peoples' Row. T. W. MOORE. Eric. Mov. 10. 1819. recery, No. 7(Poor I Erie, Mov. 10, 1849.

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outpetent assistants.

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In Languages, Mathematics and the higher branches,
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The regular time for admission is at the commencement or middle of a term. No one with be admitted for less than half a quar The Academy is pleasantly situated in a beautiful grove in our village, and under the present efficient superintendent, with the low tuition and cheap boarding that can be obtained in the town a more desirable opportunity to obtain education is no where to be found.

3.1. FINDLEY, Pres't. WM. JUDSON, Secretary, Waterford Dec 22, 1840. [Gaz. cop. 3t ch. Trus.] 3332

LAMPS. BRITANIA and JAPAN WARE.—Coffee and Ten Pots, Candle for new appropriations.

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ERIE, PA.

SATURDAY MORNING, JANUARY 12, 1850.

Under a press of advertising favors, and in order o give the matter crowded out by the Governor's mesange last week, we are compelled to dispense with our usual miscellaneous selections entire, this week. THE OLD AND THE NEW.

From the cradle to the grave, says some one, this world is full of change. The child is born helpless and dependent upon its parents-Time flies, the child becomes a man, strong in faith and energy to wrestle with the world, the parent becomes helpless like the child, and in turn looks to it for support in his journey down the declivity of uge. This is one of the changes which Father Time, in his onward flight, brings frome to the mind with peculiar force. But it is not the only one. Change is marked upon everything around us-not a face we meet in the street, not a brick in the pavement over which we travel, or a familiar bash by the road side along which we word our way in our daily walk, but shows the mark of the rolling year. The Old and the New, is to seen upon every hand. The stripling of yesterday, is a 17 (6) man to-day—the Hall that was covered with forests is 16 (6) now an open field from which the husbandman has gathered the golden grain, and the purling brook, that Air Tight Parlor Stoves, from

100 to 7 00
Pota-to Kettles at three cents per pound. Copper and Tin Purniture in proportion to corre poind, with stove Pipe at eight cents per pound—thus making a journey of 50 miles an object worthy per pound—thus making a journey of 50 miles an object worthy mill.

100 to 100 miles and danced in the giau sunnight, is now a sober and industrious walter-fall, and turns the ponderous wheel of the rattling per pound—thus making a journey of 50 miles an object worthy mill.

The Old and the New! The year 1849 has glided down 250 PAR of Gum Elastic Overshoes, comprising many new Park of Boots Sho's and Leather. Sho's and Leather. Sho's and Leather. Sho's and Leather. Sho's and Shoes, with a good stork of Sole and Upper Leather, for sale at the lowest figure for good pay.

Nov. 3, 1849. C. B. WRIGHT. the cicle of time, and is now reckoned among the OldI WINTER ARRANGEMENT. 49 & 150. over the future, and bring forth that which is to be? As the future can alone be read by the past-as the prophet's knowledge is derived from a true reading of the book printed by the hand of Time, we may not totally neglect On State Street, nearly opposite Brown's Hotel, Erie, Pa.

Willo have Just returned from New York, and have received a complete associated from New York, and have received a complete association of the above Goods, it gether with a great variety of other useful and ornamental Housekeeping articles, where, upon inspect in, will be found Prices lone than any offer conce a intunai for let the known that this establishment pays Cash down for Goods, notwithstanding the silv reports carculated that Loomis & Co. are only noing a Potentials on business for a House in New York, and let it also be understood that so long a the public, (not New Yorkers,) control their affairs, and are disposed to be generois, so long will they receive a just share of the profits. desposed to be generolis, so long will they receive a just share of the profits.

From large purchases of different Escapements of WATCHES of the most celebrated Makers in Europe, direct from Importing Houses, they are enabled to offer a superior article at a very low price. In the Mechanical branch, particular attention will be given to the repairing of Watches, Jewelry and all articles persuant to the repairing of Watches, Jewelry and all articles persuant to the treating to the trede.

Having two fine work-rea from Europe, together with Figure Tools, selsom found in contry shops, they pledge themselves to make good work and give satisfaction.

Energaving of Spours, Scale Jewelry, &c., done in the best style, N. B.—Alf Gold and Silver Goods Lought of G. Loumis & Co., will be Engraved, if requested, without charge. Cash and the highest price paid for Old Silver Plate, &c.

TAILORING.

TOHN GRAHAM would respectfully inform his FRIENDS and the public, that he had commenced the above besiness in the countrymen who boast of their lands being the birth-C. George's shop, PARK ROW, between Brown's Hotel, and the Reed Hoyse, where he hopes by strict attention to business to merit frozen regions of Russia the patriots of Poland, and even some of Austria, with the brave Hungarians and the vinedressers of the sunny provinces of France all forand the New must triumph. To use the language of a quite gudgeons enough to believe that the owners of that cotemporary, the patriots of the old world have fought a tree was planted, watered by their blood, which, though A LL who know themselves indebted to or have unsettled accounts with the late firm of furton & Peckins, are carnesdly requested to call and pay, or settle without delay. The substitute of the affines to call and pay, or settle without delay. The substitute whose to give his personal attention to the settlement of the affines to give his personal attention to the settlement of the affines to hat his abscince from hone, may make it necessary or in the control of the affiness that hat his abscince from hone, may make it necessary or in the control of the affiness that hat had not a collected to the control of the affiness that had not a collected to the control of the affiness that had not a collected the affiness that had not a collected to the control of the affiness that had not a collected to the control of the affiness that had not a collected to the control of the affiness that had not a collected to the control of the affiness that had not a collected to the control of the affiness that had not a collected to the control of the affiness that had not a collected to call and pay of the control of the affiness that had not a collected the affiness that had not a collected that had not a collected that had not a collected the affiness that had not a collected brave patriots shall gather to celebrate the birth-day of the commissioners, and was informed by the Republicanism. Sad to the ininds of all who had been Bar Kreper that there was such a book in his desk, but such durability. Patent Lever sult; but there are many things even in the downful of ed, it has been in fruit of the law itself authorizing the spectators of the first triumphs, was this disastrous rebrave Hungary by the iron talons of Russia, which bid company, and therefore void. This is the thing, (or

its beams once more appear." At Home the old year has glided to its grave unmarkthe future Historian, in tracing results to cause, will find much that transpired when the year was new, and its predecessor was old, to record it as one of great moment in our country's history. War has been absent from our borders, but the golden sands of California have drawn the adventurous spirits from our wide extended country to the shores of the Pacific, and already a state has arisen from Chaos, and is already knocking at the door of our national capitol. It can now be emphatically said that the star of Empire westward takes its course, for already that Union, which sixty years ago consisted of a thinly populated district along the shores of the Atlantic, has cached forth its arm and grasps the golden sheres of the Pacific, and thus we are about to become the centre of the world's commerce. In furtherance of this high destiny, thanks to the wise and far-seeing statesman who now deeps in the grave in his beloved Tennessee, with the advent of the New Year another shackle upon the free commercial intercourse of the world has been thrown off Commercial intercourse of the world has been thrown off, I that she has just returned from New York with a full a specific with a large ment of MILLINLRY and FANY GOODS, together with a large such elegant assortment of Ladies HATS and CAPS for the fall and winders. She has also all kinds of paterus for Cloaks, Dreses and I to second for the present to say that we continue to be winter. The has also all kinds of paterus for Globas, Dreeces and Cans for Brees makers.

Cans for Brees makers.

Mrs. P. will be preparited to exhibit her goods and execute all orders in her line from Thursday next. Lith inst. Her warness thanks are bridered to her triends for their liberal patronage during thanks are bridered to her triends for their liberal patronage during the past reason, and solic its a continuance of their favors.

Erie Get. 13. 1e19. more appropriate language than that used by Chas. Dickens in that sweet narration of his brain, the "Chimes:"

"The Year was old that day. The patient Year had lived through the reproaches and misuses of its slinderers, and faithfully performed its work,—Spring, Summer, Autumn, Winter. It had labored through the destined round, and now taid down its weary head to die. Shut out from hope, high impulse, active happiness it-self, but messenger of many joys to others, it made appeal in its decline to have its toiling days and patient

nours remembered, and to die in peace." Thus, farewell to the old Year! May the sorrows which it has brought forth be forgotten: may the happiness which it has bestowed live bright in the memory of the recipients; and may its conclusion find us a wiser and happier people. And now, good-bye Old Year; and hail to thee, young 1850! Thou hast much before thee -thou hast the happiness of housands at thy command. May thy progress be bloodless, and thy fruits, Pleuty and Prosperity. And may those who gazed upon thy Infancy be at thy Burial.

If it is very probable that the public debt created by the Mexican war will be doubled during four years of commends new loans, and all the other departments call "OUR RAILROADS."

For the Eric Observer.

Under the above head appeared an article in the Comnorcial Advartiser, of the 24th ult., of somewhat extraordinary character, purporting to be editorial, and did I holieve it in reality such, I should pass it over without notice as a mere orror, as I did an expression in an article in your paper some weeks since, in which you madvertantly spoke of two Companies authorized to build a Rullroad West, while there was in fact but one. But from the tener and spirit of the article in the Commercial, I am quite well satisfied of the source from which it comos; and that the editor himself is entirely innocent of it farther than admitting it into his column without affiguature-and I may add, that although extraordinary in its character, it does us image surprise me, if L judge correctly with regard to its parentage.

Having made the usual storrectyped flowish about improvements, prosperity in store for us, &c., for the purpose of obtaining a favorable hearing of whatever was to follow, no matter in his estimation what, the writer proconds to discourse of the act of Assembly by which the Franklin Canal Company was authorized to construct a Railroad to Lake Erie by such route as it might be deemed most expedient and advantageous; and says, "IVe "entertained and expressed opinions favorable to the "project." * * * But the community evidently "did not second the project, mainly because it was too ap-

"parent that such was not the intention of the legislature," &c. He then speaks of the discovery of the act of 1816 authorizing the construction of a railroad from Pittsburgh to Erie, and says, "this act was obtained in good faithunder it all can be obtained that our interests domand-"our western road can be made" -and then speaks of a connection with the Ohio and Ponnsylvania road near New Castle. The writer would seem to have lost his delicacy of conscience about the intention of the legislature here, because no one could pretend that under the provisions of that bill a road from this place west to the Ohio line was ever dreamed of by a single member of the body which passed the law, much less intended. It expressly provides for the commencement of the work at "some point in the city of Pittsburgh," and thence by a direct practicable route to the town of Erie The road west in the direction of Cleveland could not be made under this law without a pulpable and glaring violation of the act, and a fraud upon the Legislature. There is a clause, it is true, in the 2d Section of this law, which has no doubt caught the eye, and probably the heart, or the organ of acquisitiveness of the writer, and those whom he represents, as its "munificent, provisions," which provides in substance that in case of the violation of the charter under it, the Commonwealth shall pay to the stockhallers the par value (that is the nominal amount) of the stock; and I understand that porsons, supposed to be roady at a grab game, have been sufficited to subscribe on the strongth of this clause; -that the stock holders could contract with thomselves after the manner of the Eric Canal Company, for double, or tripple prices-let out to others to do the work for little or nothing, and thus if the Commonwealth should ever say anything, or at-

ers to be bong file paid. Books were opened, or rather advertised to be opened in Pittsburgh and here, in Nov- not-be created a bureau of Education where our Presiember last, and were required by the law to remain open for ten days, six hours in each day. I understand that during the ten days there was not a dollar subscribed in Putsburgh, and although public meetings were got up at New Castle and Greenville by the agents of the Erio Canal Company, the people in that quarter were not burn, the stove won't throw out heat, the pointers won't Company were going to build a railroad along the canal nobly in 1819-they bled-they died-but in their "fall and render it uscless, and much more insolvent than it now is, and deprive themselves of the ase of its tolls; and therefore they subscribed nothing! I called several times myself at the Reed House (the place here appoint ed in the advertisement) during the ten days-saw none no stock subscribed here. If it has since been subscribrather no thing) which the writer dignifies with the title The sur has set, but the cloud which accompanied its freer and purer than that from which its refulgent rous toors his advice to others to aid in the construction of were abstracted. Hail, then, to the glorious morn when by "giving up" all that has been done by the company Shunk, and his term would have expired in January next which has long been legitimately organized, and alone authorized to construct the desired work, and has gone ed by any startling events, as the world reads them-but far towards doing so; and very generously proposes (with no responsibility however) that the "company," as he

culls it, should refund any money already expended, &c. ing having the shadow of legal existence for any purpose whatever; but be that as it may, if a company were even chartered under the act, it has no legitimate power a humbug or a fraud, or perhaps a little of both. If intended to construct a road to the Ohio road near New Castle, it would be easy to satisfy any one that it is a mere humbug-could command nothing but a local trade to that point, which would be nearly two hundred miles nearer New York by the Central Road than by this point. If intended to construct a road to connect with Cleveland. it would be destitute, of authority of law and therefore a fraud as already spen-and hence the noncommittal and cured by this project? The expression is exceedingly vague, in which it is barely said-under it all can be obtained that our interests demand-our western road can be made." Why so indefinite here in the most important and vital part? and why not give a copy of the act under which the power is claimed, as has bee done with the other company long ago? Simply, because it would expose the fallacy of the whole article,

Now what is the case with the Franklin Canal Compuny? Some of the members of the Legislature, at least, intended it to do what it has done and is doing and the law was passed in good faith and published in the papers here, by which the company was granted the privilege of muking a railroad, where it is now located, upon certain conditions-those conditions have been strictly com plied with. The company has made at considerable ox pense the necessary surveys and locations -extensive and favorable arrangements have been made for means to carry on the work-and contracts have been entered into under the most favorable prospects of completing it simulany of the Directors of this company, the article, I think have justly termed extraordinary, makes its appearance in a respectable newspaper printed in this town, under VARIETY of Solar Lamps, of the newest paterns and most the Moxican war will be doubted during four years of the guise of exclusive friendship to public improvements approved etyles; also, Campbelle Lamps of different styles, peaceable whig misrule. The Treasury department repairs and the prosperity of the place. The enquiry is naturally peaceable whig misrule. The Treasury department repairs and the prosperity of the place. The enquiry is naturally expenses, which see, constantly, on hand and will be commends new loans, and all the other departments call started, why is this done at this particular juncture? on the day that proposals were making for the contracts, and the cause of the tragedy.

living reason can be given other than that of discourageing contractors, and calling the attention of those representing opposing and hostile interests to any road here, and leading them into temptation to violate the provisinterference with the law after rights have been vested under it? The first object, if such existed has already signally failed-contractors have not been driven off or discourvested rights-But should they even do so, the constitutake place. I again ask then, why this unprovoked attack upon the vested rights of others, but for the purpose of producing that 'J'nilage' which had begun to be fear-ed would not occur withou it? Were we to publish an article in one of the popular here hostile to the Erie and North East railroad, and advising those engaged in that enterprise to "give it up"-regretting that a "few-very few" still cling to it as a project which "it is generally bolieved must produce a failure." it would probably be

regarded as an ungracious and unwarranted, as well as

njudicious and malicious invasion of vested rights and

nimical to the prosperity of the country; and yet its

rights, are, to say the least, not more family secured by aw than those assailed by this article. What do the terms "we" and "community," as employed in this article, mean? Is it the triune conglompration (consisting of nearly the same materials) in the defunct Erio Batk, Erio Canal Company, and The Erio and North East Railroad Company? Has this become the "community," at whose nod every other interest must be abandoned, and every enterprise crushed unless econded by its sanction, and drawn into its support? It may be questioned whether either branch of this "community" stands in the most enviable position to commonce easting stones at its unoffending neighbors.-The "community" thus constituted, through this representative in the Commercial, threatens a public meeting. It has been doubted by many wise and good men, whether a public meeting be the most appropriate tribanal to inrestigate the validity of legal titles, but if the "comminnity" are very anxious to try the experiment, perhaps the branches of which it is composed may profit about as litthe by it in the end as any others. The term "our intersts," I suppose to have the same reference. I am aware, too, that there are interests here hostile to the construction of a Railroad wost, connecting with that contemplated from Cleveland; and what other interest could have prompted such an article from any intelligent source, at

peared, I am at a loss to determine. A DIRECTOR OF THE FRANKLIN CANAL COMPANY. "Whene was Blass?"-The newspapers are making thomselves morry over the "Hibernianisms" of the Presidents message. For instance, where could have been this apparatus is that of winding up a weight (like the perfect Bliss when the following "ball" was allowed to go to the printer: "We are at peace with all the world, and seek to main-

the particular time, and under the circumstances it ap-

tain our cherished relations of analy with the rest of mankind." Or the following from the same extraordi with fareign nutions, we have not been insensible to the districtions and wars which have prevailed in other quar-

world" "with the rest of mankind," whether there should | while it rains the coul and gas business, and such manu-

lehts may hereafter study grammar and Geography. "IN A Fix."-The Yazoo (Miss.,) Whig, thus appologises for is-uing only half a sheet: "It still continues to rail, and snow, and freeze, and hail, and dozele, and every thing else. The wood won't

work in the cold, the types won't set themselveswe are out with a half paper. Hope for better luck next We have noticed that papers and men who bear that

name (whig.) are very unfortunate lately. Mrs Miller, who cloped from Ningara a shor mo since, was seen on Friday last, on board the steamer plying between Norfolk and Port Walthal: her companion's name appeared in the books as "Mr. Brown."-They landed at City Point, and took the cars for Petersburg. The lidy was recognized by an acquaintance -

So says the New York Maror. R. M. Binn, Esq., Reporter of the Supreme Court of this State, we regret to learn, died suddenly in Readsetting prognosticate that its rise will be upon a world my, &c." as though it had a real existence; and volun-

GEN. CASS AND AUSTRIA.

The motion of Gen. Cass, on on Monday week, to uspend diplomatic relations with Austria, made in this If I am right then, there is in fact as vet, no suclebe- place in the U. S. Sonate, as a motion of instruction to the "Committee of Poreign Affairs," was not decided upon without a full and free interchange of opinion among the Democratic members of that body. It is a movement to construct the work desired The whole thing is either that will be hearthly approved by the people of all parties in this country, and we thank the veterian Cass for his prompt and fearless suggestion of it. General TAXLOR makes no aliusion to Austria, in his mossage, save that we are on terms of friendship with her. He vaunts the the miserable policy which led him indirectly to encourage that bandit of the nations, by opposing the morements of freedom elsewhers. We hope that the Democracy of the Senate will present a united front in support of the proposil contem, I sing the apparation of this repuindefiniteness of the article on this branch of the subject. blic from all diplomatic relations with Austria; and we Why not come out distinctly as to the interests to be se- | shall rejoice to see the patriotic Whiles niding to carry out the same high and courageous project. It cannot be said so detected a bracelet & two. that we have no power to cut loose from so pestitential a connection. The whole civilized world will applaud as for so hold and crushing a rebuke of a government that dares to assume to be christia and civilized while revelling in deeds of inhumanity. from the horrible deliberation and ernelty of which a Camanche Indian would recoli with disgust. If we failed, during the lete struggle in Hangary, to mark, by some official token, our sepse of Austria barbarism, now it is fitting time that omission -now the opportune moment to let the nations of the earth see and feel what estimate we have placed upon atrocities so revolting and appuling. The heart of this Republic will respond to the movement of the gallant veteran from Michigan and public opinion will hail its consummation with imposing unanimity,-Penn.

More Love and Suicine - A young mulatto, W. H. at Philadelphia, in consequence of pealousy. He had been having his addresses to a handsome young mulat-to girl, named Auby Moor. There had arisen some untaxiously with other works with which it is connected, and the land purchased and damages settled with owners along a large portion of the line; and if lot alone the company will in good faith construct the desired road in due time, without much noise or prating about improvements, &c. After all this, without a word said to versation with the old-lady in which he became some what excited, he sprung upon his feet, tore open his what execute and plunged a dagger into his heart, and when falling, exclaimed to the mother: "Tell Abby that I love hele, that I love her, that I love her better than life, better than my God, in a respectable nowspaper printed in this town, under the guiss of exclusive friendship to public improvements better than all my people," and fell to the floor in an inthe guiss of exclusive friendship to public improvements actually schible state. He did not speak another word, and exand the presperity of the place. The enquiry is naturally proof in about half an hour. When the girl returned, tobacco. It is made of guano, and will doubtless soon started, why is this done at this particular juncture? on the cause of the tragedy.

A chemist in the ward of made of guano, and will doubtless soon to the cause of the tragedy.

A chemist in the ward of the cause of the granted another word, and the cause of the tragedy.

AN IMPORTANT INVENTION.

a few days before the meeting of the Legislature? What The following communication was handed to us by the author, Rufus Porter, E.q., who is well known to us us the former editor of the Scientific American, and as a ions of that instrument they are sworn to support, by an man well versed in a knowledge of the arts and invention. He is a man of superior intelligence and of great honesty of character, and we do not hesitate to say, that any fact stated upon his own knowledge may be relied aged. And so will it be with the other. I entertain too upon implicitly. We do not know whether all the great much confidence in the integrity of the legislature to results which he anticipates from the invention which he believe that they will attempt to invade the cancity of describes, can be realized; but he has stated some remarkable facts, the result of his own experiments, which tion stands behind, and above, and surrounds them, to would seem to justify the anticipations in which he inthat the "failure" predicted by this writer is not likely to dalges. If the invention shall turn out to be what the inventors now promise themselves it will be, it is certain. ly a most wonderful discovery, and will create a new era

in the arts and in civilization: - Union. Messes. Entrons: I am authorized to announce the discovery and practical test of the most 'important scientific invention over yet produced or brought to light since the world has been inhabited by man-an invention which must eventually, and almost immediately, produce an immense revolution in the commercial intercourse and business in general throughout the world; and, although it will break down and ruin many of the most important branches of business and avenues of wealth, with hundreds of wealthy corporations and business establishments, yet it will build up thousands of others. and contribute bundreds of millions to the benefit of mankind, especially to the American community.

The first and main feature, and foundation of this invention, and which at once opens a field for hundreds of other inventions, is the discovery by Honry M. Paine, Esq., of a ready and almost expenseless mode of decomposing water and reducing it to the gaseous state. By the simple operation of a very small machine, without galvanic batteries, or the consumption of metals or acids, and only the application of less than one three-hundredth (1-300) part of one horse power, Mr. Paine produces 200 cubic feet of hydrogen gas, and 100 feet of oxygen gas per hour. This quantity of these gases, (the actual cost of which is less than one cent) will furnish as much heat by combustion as 2,000 feet of the ordinary coal gas, and sufficient to supply light equal to three hundred common lamps for ten hours; or to warm an ordinary dwelling. house twelve hours, including the requieits heat for the kitchen; or to supply the requisite heat for one horse power of steam. This invention has been tested by six months' operation, applied to the lighting of houses, and recently the applicability of these gases to the warming of houses has also been tosted with perfectly satisfactory results. A steam engine furnace and parlor stove, both adapted to the burning of these gases, have been invented, and measures taken for securing patents therefor. Mr. Pame has one of his machines, new and elegant, now in full operation and publicly exhibited, and may be

expected to exhibit the same in this city within twenty days. The only actual expense of warming houses by winding up of a cleck) once a day; and the heat produced may be as easily graduated and regulated as the flame of a common gos-burner. No smoke whatever is produced, but a very small quantity of steam, sufficient to supply the requisite mosture to the atmosphere. In for steam engines, and induce the establishment of thouers of the world."

We usubmit to the wisdom of Congress, and "all the cling, and increase the demand for agricultural producfacturing establishments as depend on monopoly and high prices. This invention, moreover, removes com pletaly the only obstacles which have hitherto existed to nerial navigation-the difficulty of procuring hydrogen gas, and currying a supply of fuel; and a may now be considered a matter of tolerable certainty that men will be seen swiftly and safety souring in various directions before the first of May next. These facts, being of immense importance, should not be longer withheld; and Urbarafore would avail in seelf of your widely-circulating journal to present them to the public. Yours, respect-R. PORTER.

Washington, December 22, 1849. FROM WASHIGTON.

Correspondence of the New York Commercial Advertiser. Washington, Jan. 1st, 1850,

The first annual reception at the President's residence. ince it has been occupied by President Taylor, took place to-day. The doors were thrown open at a few minutes before twelve and before the throng which pressed around them had entered, the commony of receiving the repreentatives of foreign Governments was concluded. The President appeared to be in excellent heath and nent through the task of shaking some thousands of hands with greater heartiness and sustained courtesy of manner than I thought it was in human nature to mani-

fest under such eireum-tances. Col. and Mrs. Buss were present in the reception room. s members of the President's family. The personal apsearance of the Colonel is almost as familiar to the public is that of himself. Mrs. Blas was attired with remarkable simplicity, and was "the observed of all," not, it seemed, becase there was any thing strikingly impresave about her, but because of a certain naixele and gracefulness, a pleasant and easy dignity in her manner, which compared peculiarly well with the place and the occa-

This lady is still very young, probably not more than wenty. Her burnette complexion and the quick, vivacons and varying expression of her eye, declare her at ance to be a native of the Southern clime. Mrs. Bliss is not tall, but her form is agreeable, and her movements are unstudied and easy. She wroe no ornaments so far as I perceived, though the sharper eyes of one of her own

From twelve until two o'clock the rooms of the White House were filled. During nearly the whole time Mr. Clay was present, and was of course the object of general attraction. The venerable statesman appeared in higher health and spirits than on any other occason since his last arrival in Washington. Whenever he moved there followed a train of the admiring and curious, eager to see and converse with the only man in the nation in regard to whom people unite in wondering why he has not been President. Mr. Clay was accompanied by a very tail. elderly Lidy from Kentucky, whose name was as McKee perhaps the mother of Col. McKee, who was slain at Buena Vista, while commanding the regiment of which Mr. Chy's son was Lieut. Col. Mr. Giddings joined the group in the centre of which Mr. Clay stood, and while speaking to him offered his arm to a ludy with whom both gentlemen were acquainted. Alluding to this little circumstance, Mr Clay said—"Mr. Giddings, they say a great many hard things of you; but let the harges they may, I see you are still for the Union.

The Boston Post is entitled to the credit of the folowing: THE PERSUIT OF KNOWLEDGE UNDER DIFFICULTIES .-Attempting to acquire the science of statesmanship from six ill-thanght private tutors, who agreed in nothing but in the opinion that the pupil should be mystified as much possible—and numbed with the sly irony of being escalled a 'second Washington.'"

A HARD Hir .- The Albany Dutchman perpetrates the

following hard hit at tobacco chowers: A chemist in New York has invented a substitute for