Execution of Pearson-His Confession.

Boston, July 26 .- Pearson, condemned for the guilt, died without a struggio. In his speech upon the gallows, he adjurned those who heard him, to seek their own salvation.

The following is his own confession.

Sarah and Lydia. I confess that I myself alone took their lives, on the morning of 11th April, 1849 between the hours of two and four o'clock. This is the time as nearly as I can recollect, and these are the principal circumstances:-On the 10th of April, I drank ale to excess; I went to my brother Henry's in Bromfield street; took an unibrella, kissed my daughter Meliss, told her I was going to Providence,

and parted then. I went down Tremont street and Temple place, to a club house, and got a pack of cards; then I struck over to Providence Depot and left them, I went to Boyleston street, and obtained a shoe knife at a emaker's; then obtained a vial of Laudanum ut an Apothecary's, I then went to Merryman Bircet., and got a bottle of gin, I then went to the Lowell Dopot, and left in the cars for Wilmington-I think about six o'clock, when arriving at Wilmington, I asked when the cars left for Boston. In the morn-ing, answered some one, and handed me a Pathfinder. I then left for my house, where my wife and two children were living. I went over through the woods, and stupified with liquor, got list. It was a kind Providence to hold me back not knowing where I was.

When I got through, I looked around for some time, and saw my barn. I saw a light in my house, -I rapped on the window,-Martha came and said to the noor and let me in. I sat down, and she gat me a cup of tea, and I took supper. 'Shortly after she retired. I set up a little while by the stove.— an affectionate character, and others of Then went to bed with my wife the out, and returned again to bed between two and four o'clock. I did the fatal deed after the first thrust, which I think did not wound her.

About one hundred persons witnessed the execut tion. A large crowd was collected on the outside of the jail-some of whom clambered on the roof of the adjoining houses, and disturbed the funeral ex-ercises by their demonical shouts. Two well dressed young ladies before the prisoner left his cell, ontered the jail yard, ascended the gallows, and inspected, with looks of great curiosity, the impliment of execution. Several other females were admitted to the jail yard, to witness the execution. Upon the scaffold Pearson read his bible with great apparent devotion. When the cap was drawn over his face, he appeared to be engaged in prayer. He ascended the steps of the gallows with a firm step, and as he walked upon the drop gave a last look at the sun and the scenes around him. His body was taken to Wilmington, his nativo place and the scene of the for burial. He lost all hope of a reprieve murder. after he had heard of the result of the case of Professor Webster.

TRAGEDY AT ELMIRA, N. Y .- On Sunday afternoon, the 1 ith, between two and three o'clock, our village was thrown into a great excitement by a truly appalling tragedy. A man by the name of Gilbert Brownell, Jr., who has been for some years a resident of Cayuga county, but had a wife living in this tion. village, was found on the sidewalk in Church street. opposite the Baptist church, with his throat cut from car to ear-evidently done by his own hand, with a razor, which was found near the body. It appears, from the testimony before the Coroner, that the deceased and his wife had not lived together for nine years previous to this fatal cocurrence; but that all domestic difficulties had very recently been settled, and they had made up their minds to live as n an and wife again in the course of a short time. The deceased, it is stated, was a man of strictly temperate habits, and some considerable property --- \$15,000 or \$20,000. No definite cause has been assigned for this rash act-although it is generally believed that this domestic troubles produced a temporary insanity-that he came to his death by his own hand. -Elmira, (N. Y.) Republican.

STEAMBOAT DISASTERS ON THE LANESS-The Committee appointed by the citizens of Cleveland to consider the causes of steambout disasters on the Lakes have made their report, from which we gather the following facts: From 1830 to 1850 there were seven explosions on the Lakes, by which 111 lives were there were thirty-one collisions by steamers by which sixty-two persons were killed. The loss of life on

#### Melancholy Death.

FOUND DBAD. --- A young woman whose name has been asertained to be Margaret Ann Thornton, who Boston, July 26.—Pearson, concenned for the been ascratined to be Margaret Ann Information, was independent of this wife and two children, was executed been ascrived in this city by the morning train from Buf-this morning, at half past 10 o'clock. He seemed arrived in this city by the morning train from Buf-falo, on Wednesday, and had taken lodgings at the falo, on Wednesday, and had taken lodgings at the Delavan House-was found dead in hor bed yesterday afternoon. 👌 🐷 Yesterday morning the deceased sent for a bottle

of chloroform, and having obtained it, retired to her room and it appears bolted the door. The circumten retire for rest during the day .- Not making her

appearance as late as 2 o'clock in the afternoon, suspicions were excited that all was not right, and the door was forced open, and she was found dead, with every indication of having taken an over dose of chloroform; and from the medicino found in her ed upon it as if it had been a sheet of solid ice, room, it is supposed that it was taken to allay pain slightly covered with snow. The whole plain was -either the effect of disease or of the drugs she had as level as theor. We estimated this field, to be, before taken.—Such we understand, was the result of a post mortem examination before the Coroner's and the thickness of the salt at from one-half to the coroner's and the thickness of the salt at from one-half to the coroner's and the thickness of the salt at from one-half to the coroner's and the thickness of the salt at from one-half to the coroner's and the thickness of the salt at from one-half to the coroner's and the thickness of the salt at from one-half to the coroner's and the thickness of the salt at from one-half to the coroner's and the thickness of the salt at from one-half to the coroner's and the thickness of the salt at from one-half to the coroner's and the thickness of the salt at from one-half to the coroner's and the thickness of the salt at from one-half to the coroner's and the thickness of the salt at from one-half to the coroner's and the thickness of the salt at from one-half to the coroner's and the thickness of the salt at from one-half to the coroner's and the thickness of the salt at from one-half to the coroner's and the thickness of the salt at from one-half to the coroner's at Jury yesterday. The deceased was on her way from Jackson,

Miss., where she has had charge as Principal of a thick, or hard enough to prevent the animals from Female Academy, to her home at Thornton's Ferry, in New Hampshire. Her connections are of the highest respectability in Mew Hampshire, as the letters of introduction found in her trunk, show. It is also assertained that she was the grand-daughter of Mathew Thornton, one of the signers of the Declaration.

Thus died among strangers, under circumstances as mysterious as they are melancholy, unattended by any one-for she travelled alone-a young wo-man of education and many accomplishments, to halt for several days, to give our animals an op-

none indicating premediated suicide. Among them | barren waste, both animals and meg must have peran affectionate character, and others from friends first party of white men that even succeeded in maimpression is that her death was not the result of understood that it was once circumnavigated by premeditation, but of accident from inhaling an ex- canoes, in early times, by some trappers in search cessive quantity of chloroform. Drs. Swinburn and Salisbury we's entrusted with a post mortem cossful. examination of the body, and are to report to the Jury "From at 3 o, clock .- If any new facts transpire, we shall I am of opinion that the size of the lake has been give them in our second edition .- [Albany Eve. much exaggerated, and from observation and what Jour. ø

## Peon Slavery.

The Richmond Enquirer is showing up the way the free soil leaders have been houxed by the New Mexicans, and the ridiculous contrast presented by the appeal of JOHN VAN BOREN and his associates, in favor of a territory, which they desire to see erec-ted into a State "instanter," (to save it from slavery, and the peon slavery long established by the people, and sustained in the Constitution formed for the new "State." Referring to the late meeting in Herki-nor county, New York, where Ex-Senator Dix made a furious free soil speech, the Englirer quotes and laughs at the following verdant resolution there adouted:

Resolved, That in order to protect New Mexico from all further efforts to extend slavery over her inhabitants, we are in favor of her indmission as a State, or her organization as a territory, making that clause of her constitution prohibiting slavery, a part of the fundamental law of her organiza-

The same naper quotes the extract given by us on We higsday, showing that peon or whiteslavery was provided for in the Constitution here applauded by he free soilers. In order to let the reader see what kind of slavery peon slavery is, we copy as follows from a letter from Santa Fe, dated Jane 12, 1850, published in the Ohio Statesmin. These extracts need no commentary:

"By the ve y first opportunity, I send you the constitution of New Mexico. Some excitement exists in the country in relation to the coming election provided by it. The same people, who, less than lifteen years ago, cut off the head of one Governor, and kicked it through the streets-cut off the hands plucked out the eyes, and tore out the tongues of other State officers-are voters unlergits provisions.

You will see under the article-leclaration of rights—that the peon system of slavery is fully re-cognized, whatever may be said in the address to the died man, who, eighteen yoars ago, was hired by a rich man as a pasturer. On accounting for the sheep

The Great Salt Lake Country. A Solid FIRLD OF SALT FOR MILES .- Captain Standsbury, who was sent out in the season of 1849 to make a military reconnoisance of the salt lake rogion, has transmitted very interesting despatches to Washington, from which the Intelligencer makes some extracts. His chief object was to make an exploration of the west side of the Great Salt Lake, which had never before been done. Col. Fremont and all other explorers, have traversed on the eastern shore. The west was literally a terra incognitaand so far as discoveries had extended, was known

to be the most uninventing deseft in America. In the course of this terrible jurney of 200 miles, he relates. "In the latter portion of this first desert we cross ed a field of sold salt, which hay encrusted upon the level mud plain so thick that it bore up the mules loaded with their packs-so perfectly that they walk-

quarters of an inch. A strip of some three railes in width had been previously crossed, but i, was not

sinking through into the mid at every step. The salt in the solid field was perfectly crystalized, and where it had not become plixed with the soil, was as white and fine as the best specimens of Saline table salt. Some of it was collected and preserved.

the East or in the West, whose election "would reflect After crossing the field of salt we struck upon more credit upon the commonwealth." We certainly fine little stream of running water, with plenty of grass, lying ut the foot of a range of mountains have no hesitation hendorsing all this, for Col. M'Clanwhich seems to form the western boundary of the dless is eminently worthy of the outire confidence of the Democracy of the Keystone, and should be be elected man of education and many accomplishments, to halt for soveral days, to give our animals an op-The intelligence of her death and the manner of portunity to recruit. The latter part of the desert it, must come with terrible weight to the cars of ze-latives and friends.—[Albuny drgus.] will fill the station to the satisfaction and credit of his constituents; but/then, is it not entirely to early to agitate | the claims and qualifications of candidates? Rather let A number of letters were found in he: room, but | Ind we not found grass and water midway of his us elect a majority of the Legislature first. Let us be cortain that we can elect a Democrat at all, and then we will be found urging the nomination of Col. McCand-

"We were, as I have every reason to believe, the less as cornestly as our cotemporaries of the Past and Gazette. When success crowns our efforts this fall, and king the entire circuit of the luke by land. I have the flag of the Democracy waves in triumph over the State Capitol in spite of the infamous apportionment of beaver, but no attémpt by land has ever been sucbill of the last session, then, gentlemen, call upon our

"From the knowledge gained by this expedition,

have learned from the Mormons, who have made one or two excursions upon it in a small skill, I am introduced to believe that its depth has been much overrated. That it has no oullet is now demonstrated beyond doubt; and I am convinced from what I have seen, that it can never be of the slightest use for the purpose of navigation. The water, for miles out from the shore, wherever I have seen it, is but a few inches in depth; and if there be any deep water it must be in the middle. The that river, or the Joran as the Mormons call it, is altogether too crooked and too insignificant to be of any use commercially. The greatest depth of the Utah Lake that we have found is sixteen feet; so that nen who surrounded the late President. for the purposes of a connected line of navigation

neither the river nor the lake can be of the slightest ntility. Such at least is my present impression. Further examination of Salt Lake may, perhaps, modify this opinion with regard to the latter. "The river connecting these two lakes is 48 miles in length." ngth." For one-hundred and fifty miles they could not tet a drop of fresh water. 'They had to carry waget a drop of fresh water. They had to carr ter for their animals in fiddia rubborshags.

compared with the actual state of the laborer in this counthey not struck this little stream, beyond the salt try. Here almost every laborer is a "proprietor"-for a field, they must all have perrished. The journey was made in the month of October last. RED REPUBLICANISM IN BOSTON.-It seems, from

very private and confidential cirular issued by T. proud son of the merchant or manufacturing prince, or 2. Lawrence, and sent round to his particular friends which circular has been published in the New York | potentate of the "established church," can lord it over a and Boston papers, that the whole cause of troub e man in this country. The boundless west is open to all, between himself and Sallie Aon, his wife, grew out inviting all to wealth and freedom. Why this contrast?-If the fact that she was a Red Republican, and the why this difference in the social condition of the people would be aristrocrat. Sallie appeared in rouge and of the two countries? We speak the same language, calico at the grand sorice at Hon. Abbott Liwrenworship at the same shrine, and partake of the same ce's. Her husband conceivel himself scandalized and disgracid, and hence their estrangement and physical and montal conformation! The solution to the separation. In our view, the exposure was the question can be found in the difference of government of disgraceful part of the whole matter. The rouge the two countries. But upon this point let an Englishman was a harmless color that could easily have himself speak. Jour Buttur, an English radical and been rubbed off, but the color which he has given to reformer, the friend of Cobden, in a speech recently, at this whole transaction will be an enduring stain upon Manchester, in referring to this country, said: his character as a gentleman.

"Now, look; this republic has existed 70 years-peo-ple said it would not exist seventy months. It has had, A CAPITAL TOMATO RECIPE .- The following has in the mater by which it may share of war. It has no nation-lost; during the period between 1836 and 1850, elev-en steamboats were destroyed by fire, cansing a loss of \$01 lives; from 1640 to 1850, a period of ten years there were thirty-one collisions by steamers by which He was taken before an alcalde, who assessed dama-there were thirty-one collisions by steamers by which the way taken before an alcalde, who assessed dama-there were thirty-one collisions by steamers by which the way taken before an alcalde, who assessed dama-there were thirty-one collisions by steamers by which the way taken before an alcalde, who assessed dama-there were thirty-one collisions by steamers by which the way taken before an alcalde, who assessed dama-there were thirty-one collisions by steamers by which the way taken before an alcalde, who assessed dama-there were thirty-one collisions by steamers by which the way taken before an alcalde, who assessed dama-there were thirty-one collisions by steamers by which the way taken before an alcalde, who assessed dama-there were thirty-one collisions by steamers by which the way taken before an alcalde, who assessed dama-there were thirty-one collisions by steamers by which the way taken before an alcalde, who assessed dama-there were thirty-one collisions by steamers by which the way taken before an alcalde, who assessed dama-there were thirty-one collisions by steamers by which the way taken before an alcalde, who assessed dama-there were thirty-one collisions by steamers by which the way taken before an alcalde, who assessed dama-there were thirty-one collisions by steamers by which the way taken before an alcalde, who assessed dama-there were thirty-one collisions by steamers by which the way taken before an alcalde, who assessed dama-there were thirty-one collisions the taken before an alcalde, who assesses the taken before an alcalde, who assesses the taken before an alcalde taken before an alcalde taken before an alcalde taken before an alcalde taken before an al in all that time, about 4 years of war. It has no nation

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# DEMOCRATIC NOMINATIONS. CANAL COMMISSIONER, WM. T. MORISON, of Montgomery.

AUDITOR GENERAL, EPHRAIM BANKS, of Millin. SURVEYOR GENERAL,

J. P. BRAWLEY, of Crawford. IT? We are under obligations to W. A. Gubraith, Esq.

a member of the Coroner's Inquest, for our report of the eridenco.

# United States Senator.

We see that our cotemporaries of the Bedford Guzette and Pittsburgh Past, have declared their preference for explode without cause, and yot were we to believe the Col. WILSON M'CANDIDS9, of Pittsburgh, for the next testimony clicited before the Coroner's ingest on Wed-United States Sonator of Ponnsylvania. They say it nesday, (to be found below,) it would appear that the is conceded that the West is entitled to the candidate, America blew up, and no one connected with the boat and that there is no one politically or personally, either in was at all to blame!---that, in fact, it was purely an accident, which could not be avoided! We say that such a premoditated trifling with human life somewhere, that is certain! Whether such fact can be arrived at judicially is another thing-men won't criminate themselves, and burn up, and the public will be none the wiser as to

vary much from thirty!

the cause. The following is a list of the dead, all hands on the boat:

AWFUL STEAMBOAT DISASTER !!

The Steamer America blown up-Another sac-

rifice of Life.

We are called upon to record another appalling Lake

disaster! The Steamer America, captain Squires, one

of the Sandusky line on her way down on Wednesday

morning at about one o'clock, a few miles below Barce-

tona, was blown up by the explosion of one of her boil-

or 90 passengers, and the crew amounted to 25 or 30 .--

We had hoped when the awfu' disaster of the Griffith

had been recorded, that our task in that line had ended

Charles Potter, 34 Engineer. James Kinklin, Fireman. Michael M'Cocklin, Eiroman. William Brown, Walter. One, name not known. The following is a list of the injured as fully as we are ble to obtain it: Michael Haggerty, Buffalo, severely. Michael O'Connor, Providence, R. I., very severely Since dead. Patrick Welch, Buffalo, severely. Since dead. W. H. Burnett, Ballston Springs, N. Y.; slightly. Joseph Stanchff, Durham, Conn., died on Wednesday nd was buried by the I. O. of O. F. Patrick Hawley, Cleveland, severely. Archibald Lindsey, Michigan, severely. the same selfishness which has marked their whole career Patrick Henly, Buffalo, severely. would not even unlock a traveling trunk to oblige the Jerry O'Connor, wife and five chileren, county Kerry, President or to render a service to the nation! We repea reland, wife and two children severely. that we have before said, viz: that never did a calinet Timothy Luce, Ohio, severely." leave office so universally reproba ted as did the geutle-James Murphy, Boston, severely. Since dead. Thomas Fushee, Buffalo, severely. Since dead. D Rumsey, Westfield, severely. J. Downing, Jr. Albany, slightly. The London, Times says: "Under ordinary circum Richard Retallick, Columbus, C. W., severely. stances, an English laborer has no more prospect of be Peter Hoaberry, since dead, residence notknown. coming a proprietor than he has of acquiring a kingdom Even if he should save the incredible sum of five hun

Too much praise cannot be awarded to our Physicians and a number of Lattice who promptly repaired to the boat and dressed the wounds and ministered to the comer." What a contrast does this confession present when fort of the unfortunate survivors. They were in truththe good samaratin to many-the comforter and helper 10 90 lbs of steam at the time; gave no directions to any in time of nood—and the remembrance of their kindness fow hundred dollars, which every one can earn in a year and attention will bo long romembored by those they or two, the poorest can become a "proprietor," and till served, as well as by their own approving conscience. his own soil. No landed or titled aristocrat,---no purse-

> On Wednesday afternon S. L. Fostija, Esq. Coroner of Erio county, empauneled a jury and proceeded to hold an inquest. The jury consisted of C. W. Kelso, Wm. about 60 cabin passengers: I wont to bed 1-4 to one; eas A. Galbraith, John H. Walker, John Law, Daniel Dob. of the waters is missing; chult be found; understood at bins, Thos. Dillon, S. M. Smith, J. W. Wetmore, Fred. | at the time of the accident that one or two jumped over-Sonnett, Beoj. Coats, S. M. Carponter, and Robert Cochran. The Coroner and Jury after visiting the boat he took some brandy and water; was not the were he at Reed's wharf, and taking the testimony of James | liquor. There are about 2) persons injured-3 or 9 dest. Murphy, adjourned to the Reed House, where the balance of the following testimony was taken:

James Murphy (lying on board the boat badly scalded,) sworn. I have been a deck hand on board the boat for two weeks. At the time of the explosion I was coming up the ladder from the hold, and was half way up; just before the explosion heard the 2nd engineer say that steam was going down; I heard the 1st engineer say yesterday, that the boat must be laid up and have her

miles before explosion, which was about 1 o'clock; then are two envince on the beat, both uninjured.

Chauncey Woolsey sworn. I have been 2d mate on the America this sensor, the whole of it; was on board at the time of the accident; she was theroughly overhauled and repaired last spring; there is every facility at Cleveland for repairs, boats and their engines; heard that officers of the boat say that she was to be laid over forre. pairs soon; understood her boilers needed repairs; I was . ers, The Captain was not on board at the time, but the asloop in my room when the accident took place; retired owner, Mr. Phillips, was. She was brought into this port shortly before the accident occurred; she was going at a by the Alabama about 10 o'clock. She had on board 80 regular speed, about 12 to 13 miles an hour; never heard any of the engineers say that the boilers were unsafe; The explosion must have been awful, as the deck above the water was blown out at Sandusky as usual, and boilis literally riddled to pieces; and how there were so fow ers cleaned; believe it was.2d engineer who had charge lives lost, is rather a wonder than otherwise. The numwhich explosion took place; were using wood and coar ber lost cannot be correctly ascertained, but the killed mixed. and wounded, and those who jumped overboard, will not

John R. Thorpe sworn. I am first engineer of the  $\Lambda_{-}$ merica; have been on her in that capacity since Febra-ary list; I am a professed engineer; that has always been my business; I was on the river previous to my coming for the season! But it was a vain hope.' No warning, to the lakes. I considered the boilers safe; there were a it appears, let it assume whatever shape it may, is terific few leaks, but that is not an uncommon circumstance; enough to deter some men from endangering the lives of the boilers were thoroughly examined at Sandusky by the traveling public. It is useless to tell us that boilers myself, as I trust that duty to no one else; cleared the boilers out; I considered them safe; but on Tuesday morning. I mentioned to Capt. Squires that the bollers must be repaired: Mri Phillips asked me yesterday what was the matter, and if it was absolutely necessary to stop next trip, and whether it would be prudent to run another trip; I told him it would; I called the 2d engineer accidents do not occur! There is gross carelessness, or about half an hour before the explosion, that is about fire minutes after 1 o'clock. Mr. Wilson is an engineer, have known him about three years in that capacity; he has been about the America about 2 months; I think and until they do steamboats will continuo to blow up Wilson a competent engineer and fitted to occupy the post he held; I made no complaint last night about insufficiency of speed; ho n gl gave no orlers about in-

creasing steam; have no recollection of telling a fireman that if he did not fire up I would. The boilers of the America will cary 139 lbs. of steam; there was about 85 lbs. on at the time of the explosion, I looked at the guage but a moment before; I was up at the time of the explosion but the 24 engineer was on duty; her supply pumps are the best I have ever seen; it is entirely unaccountable to me how the explosion occurred; the break was at the fore part of the boiler and not where the leaks were; have been occupied in the business of an engineer since 1829; have had 25 lbs more steam on the boilers. than there was last night; I am satisfied that boders sometimes explode when there is plenty of water in them, a 14 a thing for which I can in no way account; I can assigno reason for the explosion. Mr. Wilson and I were standing together at the time aft the cylinder on the starboard side; there are 7 boders, but one gave ware 1 think the break commenced at the bottom next the fire: I have made no examination of the pumps since the accident; I and satisfied they were in good order at the time of the accident: the staem gigue is one of Sullman's and was in good order.

Henry Wilson sworn. I am 2d Engineer of the America; have been on her two or three months. I have been in the business of an Engineer 10 years-in the shop until three years ago, when I went on the Lake .-I can assign no reason for the explosion; my watch had iust commenced when it occured; went to try the water the first thing when I came on watch; the water was right After having the water tried I walked aft, and was standing aft of the ongine on the starboard side, talking with the 1-t Engineer, when the boiler burst. There was 77 one to increase the steam; the engine was miking about the usual number of revolutions. There was a patch on the bottom of the exploded boiler; a boiler will last seria or eight years.

T. T. Blooner sworn. I am Steward on the America I was asleep when the accident occurred. There were board. Saw the Engineer in the pantry about 12 o'c'eck One man who jumped overboard was recovered, but has since died.

H. B. Elysworn I was a passenger on the America; got on at Cleveland; lay in the cabin on a matrass, about 30 feet forward of the engine. I noticed that we made good time after leaving Cleveland, so much so that I notided it particularly. After I had been in bed sometime I noticed a sudden plunging motion of the boat; it occurred at intervals of 10 or 15 minutes. The motion was so boilers repaired. About 11 or 12 o'clock yesterday, (the great that everything shook and gave in the calm; this

services, and we will honor the draft with pleasure! Galphin Patriotism. The Boston Post well remarks that the patriotism of the Galphin cubinct is exhibited in their refusal to retain office for a few days to enable the President sufficient time to select his advisers. No-they cared nothing about the exigency-the interest of the country which required consultation and deliberation in filling the departmensthey had got all they could expect, and, influenced by

A Contrast.

dred or a thousand pounds sterling, he is as far off as ev-

onestion can be found in the difference of government of

the Lakes during the last ten years, from explosion tire and collisions, amounted to 877. The Committee were unanimous in their adoption of a memorial to Congress setting forth the delects in the present system of Lake steam navigation, and in reccommending the passage of a law, embracing suitable remedies. 6

THE REPORTED ABDICATION OF THE RUSSIAN Czan,-Respecting this item of intelligence, which one of the last steamers brought us, the Aix la Cha pelle Gazette has the following remarks:-The Presse, of Brum, annonnees that the Emperor Nicholas has formally resolved to abdicate, upon the first of December next, in favor of his son Cesarewitch, the heir presumptive to the crown. His majesty desires that his son shall ascend the throne at this time, in order that he may not be exposed to the danger of becoming a prey to malicious parties or conspiracies which are always formed in Russia upon every new eccession. His majesty will assist at the councils of his son as long as he is able to direct himself. To this it must be added that, bedieveing the prophecy of a Russian Monk, the people are persuaded that no sovereign can reign more than twenty five years under pain of meeting a vielent death. In short it appears that the Emreror Nicholas has followed the expression of a desire to enjoy the sweets of private life, and that he has recently to a porson of distinction-"these affairs are for the young people, who assume, after ine, the reigns of Government, to settle similar d.f. ficulties, which must meet a prompt solution."

THE PORTUGUESE CLAIMS .- Among the claims against Portugal, made by our government, is one for the privateer General Armstrong, captured at Foyal, by the British, in 1811. The event made a great noise at the time, the defence having been heroic to the last degree. The Armstrong was lying in that port, when a British cruiser, ac companied by a frigate, entered the harbor, and the same night endeavored to cut her out; but the boats were repelled by the privateer's crew. Another at-tack was made, at midnight; no less than fourteen launches participating in it; but this was also repelled, the British losing three boats, in one of which were fifty men, offwhom but a single one was saved. ner. In all the enemy lost 120 killed. The next morning So despairing of further defence, for the British now hauled one of their ships up close to the Armstrong, the Americans abandoned their brig the foe burned her. + As all this took place within half a cable's length of the Portuguese fort, the claim for indemnification is just, as the authorities at Fayal ought to have protected the Armstrong.

HORRIBLE AFFAIR-MURDER AND SUICIDE.-A Philadelphia paper relates the following horrible tragedy: Joel Wilson, a middle aged man, of Burlington co., and not in very good repute, left home and was gone a considerable time. Not long since he returned, and to all appearances, was as gay and talkative as usual, until Sunday, when he assumed a disposition to be alone and avaided conversation. In this mood he went into the house, took his razor itst broat from ear to ear; then, throwing it from him. destroyed his own life by inflicting a similar wound in his own throat! This is a cold and horrible occurrence: but its enormity is increased ten-fold when i little prattler whom he murdered was his own chill, the illicit offspring of his own wickedness! What is human nature when loft to itself! Thus the in-nocent suffer for the crimes of others.

Still further light is thrown on peon slavery by the following letter from Eagle Pass, on the Rio

Grandé: "Anybody of the working class can be sold for debt in Mexico; and these peons, receive the worst

fare and the hardest treatment of any slaves on this continent. When they get this side of the river they should be free, but are often too timid and ignorant (especially the women) to avail themselves of the

fact. "They are a quiet, respectful, well spoken race, subject to more exac lons, and requireing fewer com-forts than our negroes. Their sad, downcast air is in strange contrast with the ever cheerful buoyance. of the blacks; even their singing has the wail of death in its slow, melancholy notes.'

RAILBOAD ACCIDENTS .- Levi Gibson, of Whiting, was instantly killed near Bartonaville. Vt., by being knocked from the top of a freight train, on the Rutland Railway, while passing a bridge. Loyal E. Gibson, a nephew of deceased, was killed a few weeks ago in a similar manner.

In Stanford, Con., on Saturday, a New York gentleman and lady, returning in a carriage from Darien, where their son is at school, were thrown to the grouned by collision with an extra railroad trainthe lady was instantly killed .- She was Mrs. Blake and the gentleman was her step father, Mr. Hunt. who was badly jnjured. Mr. Sanford Smith, of Erie county in this State.

whilst going to Johnstown, on the Portage Railroad, jumped of the tender, and fell under the passenger cars which were attached, they running over his legs, bruising and mangling them in a terrible manner, from which he died in about three hours after wards.

He was brought to Hollidaysburgh the next evoning, and there followed to the grave. Franklin Ruff, breaksman on the passenger cars

Frankin tur, oreassnan on the passenger cars attached, occupied a place near Mr. Smith, and junped almost simultaneously with him from the tender, and fell under the car. He had one of his legs run over, bruising and injuring it in a sad man-

SOUTH CAROLINA VS. SOUTH CAROLINA .- Mr. State. The Union, to him, is of no value. Let us see, says the Baltimore Clipper, what estimate was sidence remain unascertained. placed upon it a few years since by a more gifted son of that State, Mr. McDuffie. That gentleman suid---

"The Union prevents us from wasting and destroy ing one another. It preserves relations of peace among communities, which, if broken into separate nations, would be arrayed against one another in perpetual, merciless and ruinous war. It, indeed, contributes to our defence against foreign States, but, still more, it defends us from one another. For ourselves, we fear that, bloody and mournful as human history is, a sadder page than has ever been written might record the sufferings of this country, should and commenced shareening it, with the intention of we divide ourselves into separate communities. We shaving. After he finished, he scated himself on the foar that our country, in case of disunion, would be floor, where a little child of his daughter's was play- broken into communities, which would cherish toing, and, taking it into his arms, deliberately cut wards one another singularly fierce and implacable

enmities." This, adds the same paper, is the language of patriotism and common sense. Mr. McDuffic clearly foresaw the evils which would result from disunion, we consider the lamentable fact that the innocent and he calls upon his countrymen to avoid them,

whilst Mr. Rhett urges them on to their own ruin. WONDERFUL CONDESCENSION .- The Washington

correspondent of the North American, in his last

ges of ten dollars against him, for which he became the original article. Get sound tomatoes, peol them,

PROFESS R WEBSTER.-It is not the le s singular fact, among all the circumstances of the le s' singular that we pay for in Canady at this moment; and, mere-fact, among all the circumstances of this affair, that fore, they are free from the interest of that debt, and free from the vast amount of £13,000,000, which we pay and Webster has not yet resigned his "Ewing Professorship of chemestry and mineralogy" in Harvard University; neither has he been removed, nor has another been appointed in his place-consequently he is till a full professor, and it is a full professor, in the first seminary of learning in the United States, who as moral and religious and much better calucated, than the will be executed on Friday, August 10th, unless he anticipates his doom by suicide.—Boston Times. anticipates his doom by suicide.—Boston Times.

IF A singular bird, resembling what is represented by Aud ibon, as the " Celestial Dove," was caught near Carthage yesterday. Its wings are a tiful sky blue. It is about the size of an ordinary chicken, and gives utterance to notes, the sweetness of which we have never heard equalled. It has been purchased by Mr. TAABRE, of Louisville.-Cincinnati Commercial.

MASSACRES BY CANNIBALS .- We gather, from the Hobart Town Herald, that the natives have massacred various parties of seamen touching at the Sandat Wood Islands. A fishing establishment, near New Caledonia, had been driven away or massacred and there was also reason to believe that the French missionaries at Vengin and shared a similar fate .-The Mary Cutter, hill been attacked by the natives | dus and Arnold' carved for themselve a "reputation" it Balade. "They cooked the bodies of the captain and crew ashore, and ate them, after which they burnt the vessel, to the water's edge." A boats crew from the Rover's Bridge had also been murdered at Effus.

STRAMBOAT CASUALITIES AT THE WEST .- The St. Louis Union publishes a long catalogue of the steamers to which serious accident has happened in the Western waters during the half-year ending July 1, 1850. The results exhibited are calculated to give rise to serious reflection. The aggregate is 67; and some others probably overlooked. The losa Rhett, of South Carolina, threatens to unfurl the of life by these accidents was nearly Five Hundred banner of disunion, to protect the interests of his and Fifty; 542 are positively accounted for, and others believed to have been lost whose names and re-

> Poon Tom Ewing .- Tom Ewing isan unfortunate nan! He was in the Harrison Cubinet, but before

he had warmed his seat, or got his arm into the Treasury above his cloows, received his "papers" from T yler. He was called into the cabinet of Tay. or, and now, poor man, when he has got his arms into the Treasury, up to his shoulders, and has reerived some \$30,000 the teat has been taken from him again. Oh! Solitude!

A REMEDY .- Old gents cut this out and paste it n your hat. The Knickerbocker snys: The only will be hard to dispense with a policy that has had the way to cure a boy of staying out nights is to break is legs or else get the calico he runs with to do the housework.

IF A spoonful of horseradish put into a pan of milk will preserve tee milk sweet for several days

either in the open air or cellar, while other milk will turn.

IF WEBSTER to Ewing, on his going out of the cabinet—

"Oh. Solitude! where are the charms. That sages have seen in thy face?" Ewing to Webster on his coming in-Better dwell in the midst of plarme 'That reign in this Averible place?"

A Philadelphia paper speaks of the telegraph wires as "deranged." They do sometimes appear to be partially insanc.

bring them to a boil, season them with pepper and salt; then put them in stone jugs, taken directly from water in which they (the jugs) have been boiled. Seal the jugs immediately, and keep them in a cool place. America they have few taxes compared with what we have; they have not the interest of that enormous debt to pay; and they have not an enormous standing army and a fleet to scour every sea, and to bally and insult on ev-ery coast. [Cheers.] They have an army no greater they may not for in Canady at this moment; and, theremultiplier our peace armaments. And bear in mind, that although 8 or 10 millions per annum are not entrustod to a favored sect for the purpose of instructing the peo blo in morality and religion—there is no evidence to show that the people of the United States are not at least have less of that which is a standing disgrace to the constitution of England-they have less of insurrection." This, from the month of one Englishman contrast. beautifully with our text from the mouth of 'another.

### "Not a particle of Reputation."

The Bedford Gazette says that while the old Cabinet "leaves the Capitol uttorly despised by the whole country," the "new one has not a particle of reputation." Se far as the old Cabinet is concerned, we agree with the Gazette, but is'nt it "spreading it on pretty thick" to say that the new dynasty "has not a particle of reputation?" Tom Corwin, for instance!- is not his reputation wide spread, world reknowned? In all Mexico no man stands higher in the affections of the people! In all the Union no one is better known, or has such a reputation! Juwhich bids fair to transmit their names down to the remotest generation! And who shall deny Tom Corwin the same priviledge? Not we, certainly-"welcome" rather, "bloody hands" and a "hospitable grave."-Don't say, then, that the Cabinot has'nt a "reputation," for it has, and Tom Corwin furnished it!

How the Tariff Ruins the Country.

We see it stated in our exchanges that the immigrants from Europe, who have reached New York lately, have all been engaged by the farmers in the interior, and the supply, it is said, is not equal to the domand. Contracts have been made, for some days past, by the farmers of the Middle States, for the service of immigrants, it is suid, at \$15 each per month. How the laborer is ruined. isn't ho?

#### Presidential Organs.

The Tribunc hopes, and our neighbor of the Gazette no special newspaper organ at the seat of government. That paper says that a Prosident who does his duty has no need of a mothpiece of this character, but will find but we fear the Tribune's advice will not be heeded. It sanction of nearly all the Presidents of the Republic.

When you are asked to hold the baby, trot it hard, When you are asked to not the only trol it and, pinch it, and make faces at it when the mother is not tooking. You will soon be relieved of the precious charge.—Lz. The individual who gives the above advice, deserves charge to be smothered in pap.-Lancasterian.

#### Or made a pap-a without benefit of Clergy.

IT Wo see that out friend HARRIS has got back to his old stand, the Keystone Saloon, and is as ready as ever to wait upon customers. With other chauges for the better he has changed the name, and now calls it the Queen City," but strange to say he is still ih want of change. Those, therefore, wife are tired of carrying about their small change, can find an excellent opportunity of disposing of it by giving him a call.

years, under your glorious constitution, with your hered- day before' the explosion) the 1st engineer came forward a peon eighteen years, and finds his debt run up to fifty dollars." Still further light is thrown on peon slavery by ring the day he said the boat was "going it"-said, it is easy to faise steam to day; this was coming out of Sandusky; board Tom, a fireman say that the boiler was broken and leaking; I intended leaving the boat soon, as it was said cholera was on board.

John P. Phillips sworn. I am the sole owner of the steamer America: she has run two seasons before this: she was built at Port Huron, Michigan; machinery all new: the engine was built at Cincinnati; It was inspected this year at Cleveland, and certificate given of its fitness for uso; Inspector's report was, that the engine was of the very best; I have spent much money in getting perfect machinery. The Captain was sleft at Cleveland sick: laid over about two weeks ago at Buffalo, to have boilers repained; had a patch put on; I was in bed at the time of the accident; have heard no complaints from the Engineers of the boiler being unsafe, before spoken

of; I got on at Cloveland; I talked with the Engineer yesterday about some repairs, that he said were necessary at the back of the boilers; and concluded to lay over a trip at Buffalo and repair. The boat is well provided with supply pumps; always considered the boat safe carrying 120 lbs. of steam; generally carried about 100; were making usual speed at the time of explosion. about 12 miles an hour. Nothing was said about urging the boat last night; something has been said about the boat being slow, but we have had no difficulty in making good time; boat carried U. S. mail between Buffalo and Sandusky; have not missed connection but a few times this season; not as often as other boats; boat left Fairport about 5 o'clock P. M. Accident occurred about 1 o'clock A. M.; dont know exactly where the boat was when the accident occurred; dock hands will know ;know of no reason for Captain leaving at Cleveland other than that stated; I asked him if the boat was all right, ho said it was.

John Shooks sworn. I have been acting as chief mate on board the America; after the captain left I had charge: have been on her since the 10th of April. We left San-

dusky at five minutes past 8 o'clock yesterday; stopped at Cleveland and at Fuirport; no particular examination was made of the engine at Saudusky more than usual; we generally cleaned up boilers and engine at Sanusky; about three weeks ago the engineer mentioned that a place on one of the buildra needed repairs, and the boat was accordingly laid up and repaired. Capt. Squires told me yesterday, that he intended to lay over one trip and have the boilers repaired, as there were some leaks, schoes it, that President Fillmore will conclude to have in the after ends of them; he said nothing about the boat being dangerous; the repairs could be made a Cleveland; the Captain was ill of billious cholic was the reason of his stopping at Cleveland; cant say how long it would plenty of defenders among the people. True enough; have taken to make the necessary repairs; the boat was going faster yesterday than usual, somewhat, as the boilers were clean; we usually go faster on Tuesday than on other days, as the boilers are cleaned on Monday while in Sandusky; boat is well supplied with supply pumps; I was on deck by the pilot house and in front of it when the explosion took place; heard no orders given to increase speed; was going at ordinary speed; the boat is

about medium as to speed; averages about 12 miles an hour; was going at about that rate; there were not many passengers an board, not so many as usual for that day;

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don't think the boilers could have been repaired at Sandusky. When the explosion took place saw steam come up through decks; dont think the boat took fire slightly however, if at all; the engine was got ready in case of her being on fire; it happened from three to five miles below Barcelona; I immediately ordered wheelsman to port helm so that the steam would blow through the printer, about 18 years of age. The young man was adboat sideways; left Fairport 5 o'clock, ran about 195 dicted to socialism, and probably was crack-brained

motion occurred at intervals until the explosion took place I could hear the Engineer, or some one else, trying the cocks at intervals. The jarring appeared to proceed from accelerated motion of the engine; I did not notice it until after I had laid down; have noticed the same kind of motion before when boats were going very fast. I the't it was the result of a sudden application of extreme force. L. R. Morricesworn. I am Clerk on the America .--Heard nothing said on the boat as to her machinery being defective. Mr. Thorno and Mr. Wilson have the repufation of being temperate men. I was as leep at the time of the explosion: Heard nothing said about arriving at Buffalo sooner than usual. There were about 5 or 90 passengers; only one passenger that I know of being killed-Joseph Stanchill, from Cincinnati: Chas. Potter, ono of the greasers, was killed; James Kinkhn and Michael McCocklin, firemen, Michael O'Conner, and Wm. Brown, a waiter, were also killed.

A. D. Patchin sworn. I am mail agent; There is no limited time for the mail boats running between Buffalo and Sandusky. I was directed by the Department to employ the fastest and safest boats; they generally get in so as to connect with the cars. I have complained to Capt. Squires that the boat did not make good time: sometimes she did not connect as she should have done owing to weather, &c. I know Mr. Thorpe; he is a good engineer, and very attentive and industrious.

E.M. Shields sworn. I was a passenger on the America; was sleeping in a room on the same deck with the engine. I know Mr, Thorpe; have known him 20 years -his reputation is that of a first rate engineer. I am an Engineer myself; do not know what steam the boat was carrying. The sudden plunges, spoken of by Ely, were no indication of an excessive amount of steam; it is produced by the operation of what is called the "cut off;" Her "cut off" does not operate regularly; it does not cut offian equal amount of steam at each end of the cylinder; if its action were equal the motion would not be felt. 1 have examined this boiler carefully since the explosion: it was the shell of the boiler, not the flues, that gave way; the flues were not colapsed. The boiler gave way at the bottom. It is not common for one boiler to explode and the others not; they usually explode together. When the cut off does not work equally the pressure on the boiler is unequal-greater at one time than at another. Fredrick Sennett sworn. I am an ongineor; have examined the boilers of the America since the explosion .-There is an appearance of a seam in the iron; seams are frequently found in boiler iron. I dot attribute the cvplosion to that defect. I have not ascertained from my examination any cause for explosion; the sheet at the tear seemed to be good iron. Chas. P. Thayer sworn. I was a passenger; was in

my room at the time of the explosion. I noticed no unusual speed. The officers of the boat appeared to be cateful and attentive men. Never heard any complaints made as to defective boilers or engine. After hearing the above testimony, the Inquest rea-

dered the following VERDICT."

That the persons named came to their death from the explosion of one of the boilers of the America, the cause of which explosion is auknown to the Inquest.

CPDROWNED.-CHARLES WINEL, & promising young man of 18 or 19 years of age, was drowned at the Out-Let Lock on Monday evening last. While engaged in opening the gate at the head of the lock, the handle coming off, ho lost his balance, and fell into the canal, and was drawn by the current into the wicket, and before he could be extricated, life was extinct.-Gazette. IT It is said that the young man Walker, who at-

tempted to assassinato Louis Napoleon, is a Pennsylvania

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