ERIE, PA.

BATURDAY MORNING, JANUARY 25, 1851.

Democratic Co. Convention.

February, at 2 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of selecting delegates to the Gubernatorial and Judicial Conventions, at Reading and Harrisburg. J. S. BARNES,

P. P. JUDSON, ·R. S. BRAWLEY. WM. WEED, BENJAMIN GRANT, A. P. DURLIN, JAMES DUNLAP. Central Committee.

-Plank Road Meeting.

A meeting of those friendly to the continuation of the Erie and Wattsburg road to Warren, was held in Wayne a short time since, at which it was resolved that the road ought to be built, and measures taken to carry the resolution into effect. This is the right spirit, and we are confident we shall soon see the work under way. 2

Benton's Prospects.

Renten's prospects of re-election appears to be grow-Benien's prospects of re-election appears to be growing "small by degrees and beautifully less." This is
that naturally flows from a stigling and well balanced mind,
certainly too bad, after the shout his "baker's dozen" of
friends throughout the county set up last week, upon the telegraph's announcing his election. The last reports from Missouri show that his backers in the Legislature their candidate, and are rallying on Hough, an opponent of "old Bullion," but put in nomination by one of his friends, and, as the vote shows, supported by quite a number more. The 31st ballot stood, Geyer, whig, 65; Heigh 50: Benton 35.

AT The Gazette don'nt like the formation of the Judicial districts as reported by Mr. Packer in the Senate. It specified this command, losing no hour or minute on his says they look, "locofocoish." Our neighbor is hard to way so feafful was he that Jackson would be no more cial districts as reported by Mr. Packer in the Senate. It spe please. A few weeks ago he was very hostile to making well founded. The hero, was dead and in his shrowd the election of Judges a political question. Last week he when Houston zrrived. But he still hives in the affection had an article warning his party friends against the very of his country men, and floured, to an eminent degree thing he had previously advocated, and now he thinks thing he had previously advocated, and now he thinks of the blank of heart, his soul of sympathy. The blank of heart, his soul of sympathy, his from will in doing right—his enlarged and a whig district, though rather close. When he ascernated as the second of the blank of the second of the blank of the will accomingdate him.

We learn from the Fredonia Censor that the work was commenced in that village on Monday last. The work has heretifore been confined to the thus below Silver Creek. This movement towards the West is truly encouraging. We also learn from the Contractors of the Dunkirk and State Line road that they have been ordered to resume work on the first of the following month, and push it through to the line so that the New York and Erie road can unite with ours by the first of August.

UF The Reading Press has given us fair warning that it intends to annihilate us, and Hop. J. Glancy Jones. M. C. from the "State of Berks" It would have done so last week, but the length of the Governor's message prevented. Verily, we thank the Governor for thus interposing between us and our impending doom, and we have no doubt Mr. Jones, and all the Jencs family, are equally grateful. But we think it unfortunate for the success of the Press man's forthcoming offusion that the should have given us warning, for notwithstanding we are to be set up, like a turkey at a shooting/match, by the side an M. C., we shall dodge, "just as sure as shoot-Les array, but samambas

Sometimes-turns and kicks its owner over;"

Fashionable Gambling. Somebody has aptly said that "laws are made to be so deleterious to society, but the example is pernicious. One of the first results we have noticed is the "Gift Conanys the late drawing of the Art Union started the system, and as we Americaus are as famque as moukeys for is getting up a "gift Concert" to gettrid of his rubbish at crowd of rowdies will be a rowdy. The man who asso-double price; and we lear that a Frenchmun in Broad-ciates with the desperate will be very apt to prove a. The correspondent of the Pennsylvanian, says the turmay render most convenient. Another respectable music house, emboldened by the success of Jollie & Co., has and that the right of suffrage was but another name for started a mammoth imposture of the same sort. A the equal distribution of property by physical force?-"Prize Furniture Concert" has been gotten up by some Opinion governs the world, and mankind are happy body else, in which elegant assortments of furniture at, or miserable, according as it is true or false. of course, three or four times the real cost of each article, represent the "gift" or prizes. A "Silk Velvet Cloak" Concert is another, now on the tapis, advertised by a nefed tavern in the Bowery-all the prizes to be silk velver cloaks. In all these cases the "Concert," von will understand; is quite a secondary consideration. It is simply the salvo, thrown in, in a faint effort to evade the penalty of the law, in regard to "lotteries."

"Curses Come Home to . Roost,"

So says the play, and every day's experience proves the dramatist attered truth. A case in point has recently taken place in Boston. The darghter of a respectable abolition agitator, named Brown, disappeared suddenly It appears the father had expressed himself indifferent as to whether his daughter married a white man or a negre, -she took him at his word, and a few weeks since cloped with a negre and married him, and in his company went to the different dens in Ann street, in one of which she was found by an officer and carried to her father. She is now in the lunatic asylum. The affair and if any newspaper declines such a publication, anoth-has been hashed up on account of the respectability of er paper is to be designated, and the refusing paper is

We can't help liking Horace Greeley and his Tribune, notwithstanding his "wooly-head" prodelections. He is independent-ne "independent as a wood sawver."-and says and does just as he pleases, in spite of party. Hear him on "enstaining the Administration." elf the Administration wants to be 'sustained' as it has been in Pennsylvania and New Jersey, why it can make the Fugitive Slave Law its Snibboleth, and go shead. The whig party of New York will simply refore to bury itself under the load. He meedn't dutress out a 'reconciliation,' If he and his little clan will get farely out of the whig party 'fer good,' and not ly, some:
will get farely out of the whig party 'fer good,' and not ly, some:
skulk out at Byracuse merely to crasp in at Utics, he will ? SJ Hon. Joseph B. Asthony, President Judge of the do the cause all the good within his power."

the only way to alter the Tariff is to lesses it. What yay ber of the Democratic party, and for many years a member of Congress.

Gen. Sam Houston-the Presidency.

The Washington correspondent of one of our exchan ges says there "are plenty of subterances movements having reference to the next Presidency" af that seat all political excitement, the national capital; and adds that Gen. Sem Houston is among those "who are closely watching the rise and fall of the political baremeter." It is, parlaps, too early to speculate much upon the chances of the next Presidential nomination, though it is not too The Democratic Electors of the several early is say that, should such somines be one who ear wards, boroughs and townships of this Co. unite the party, he will be elected. That, is a "fixed are requested to meet at their several pla-ces of holding elections, on Saturday, Feb. Fillingre, Webster, or Seward. Kis evident, too, that so 1st, at 2 o'clock, and elect delegates to a far, Gen. Cass has much the best apparent chance of the county convention to be held at the Court nomination, and we confess there is no one we would House in Eric on Monday, the 3d day of prefer seeing in the Presidential chair. But that he will be nominated, we are not so sure; or that, should be be nominated, he will be elected. It will be recollected that in 1844 Mr. Van Buren went into convention much stronger then even Gen. Case appears now, vet he could not be nominated. Such, we apprehend, will be the result of the contest in 1832. In such an event the name of Gen. San Houston will undoubtedly be the first in the list of compromise candidates. His name is a tower of strength every where, and his nomination would awake the outhusiness of this masses equal to that aroused by his friend and lellow-soldier-the immortal Jackson. As an indication of the "signs of the times," in this direction, we anged the following from one of the oldest and best democratic party in New England—the

Hartford Times: "There is a decided demonstration in various parts of the Union favorable to the domination of Sam Houston, for the Presidency. The more the people become acquainted with him the better they like him: He is a man of discriminating mind, of excellent judgment of charac-able man. He is not a nullifier, but firm, calm, reason-

dying upon his bed. It was that an express be sent to Samiflouston, requesting his immediate attendance.— Houston was his friend-he was that honest, kind-heartare "caving." The Anti-Bentonians have abandoned ed, firm man that Andrew-Lickson admired. They knew each other well, and two friends more warmly attached never existed. The dying patriot, as his soul was about

Houston received the message, and hastened to comply with his request. Sloopless he traveled with all the profably to a greater extent than any other man in the remarkable. less remarkable.
We know not what turn the political tide will take as

to the Presidential candidates, but if the Democratic num-ination should fall upon Houston, it would hit a fortunate would not be resisted."

"Public Opinion is Omnipotent." same time it takes by the hand the base libertine who has bly beyond the hundred days.

ery reasoning mind, compose that which we call "pub- Congress. lic opinion, and give to it omnipotent sway. This is Mr. Jackson, from the Committee, presented the felwhy, (to adopt the language of a writer upon the subject) lowing resolutions: opinions, if struceus, carry pestilence, war, and desolation on their wings and if sounded on truth are the source law giving to the soldiers of the war of 1812 and of the (Pa.) Telegraph, and give it to our readers for what der from Mr. Hale, and he trok his seat. The Clerk of infinite happiness and substantial security to mankind? late Mexican war, grants of Bounty Land; and -horse. It is worth. Verily this is the age of progress. To the young, opinions are everything, as they happen the gallant sailors of the war of 1812, the companions of to be poisoned by prejudice and bigotry, or gilded by vir- Hull, Decatur, Stewart, Morris, and a long list of heroes, tue, honesty and truth. What makes the murderer?— who bore our flag triumphantly through many a hard Opinion. What makes the savage? Opinion. What fought battle, and whose daring achievements upon the maker the drunkard, the rebor, the swindler, the pirate? ocean contributed mainly to the successful termination of evaded." The laws, in most of the States, against Lot- Opinion. The storehouse of good or evil is in the mind, the war; and also the satters of the late war with Mexico, teries are stringent, yet Yankee ingenuity has found a the great and fatal laboratory of opinions. Beware, then, who upon many occasions fought gallantly side, by side way of evading them, and at the same time rendered it what opinious you implant in the foung Beware how with the regulars and volunteers, have been most shame-fashionable to do so. The various Art Unions, now so you say this is wrong or this is right; for what you say fully neglected; and believing that the granting of Bounfashionable, are nothing more nor less that Lotteries, may sanctify crime as virtue; or give to truth the hue ty Land to them, would be but a simple act of justice on and a subscriber to one is, in fact, the buyer of a Lottery and complexion of fatsoling!. Human destiny is the the part of our National Government, therefore, ticket. The immediate results may now perhaps, prove creature of opinion. "The largest liberty" only makes Bo it resolved, by the Senate and House of Represen unmitigated scoundrels. Plational freedom makes good tatives, &c., That our Benators in Congress be instructcitizens and wise men. What has made family pride ed, and our Representatives requested, to use their best certs," very extensively advertised in New York. The the bane of the world? Because opinions have been in- efforts to procure the passage of a law to place the naval New York correspondent of the Pinladelphia Bulletin culcated adverse to industry useful occupation, and the officers, scamen, and marines; who served in the war of pursuits that lead to fortune by ministering to necessi- 1312 and in the late Mexican war, upon the same footing ties. Had Cardinal Wolseybeen a butcher, instead of a with the solliers of said wars. imitation, we can now count about a dozen of these butcher's sen, would be ever have exclaimed, "Vniu Resolved, That the Governor of this Commonwealth "drawings," as advertised in the newspapers. Nearly point and glory of this world, I hate ye?" Every thing be requested to forward copies of these resolutions to each every storekeeper who has on hand a stock of stale goods, depends on opinions. The boy who listens all day to a of our Senators and Representatives in Congress, to be

way is actually getting up a "Prize Girl's Concert," in scoundrel. The Little Corporal of France made her pee- moil and confusion attendant upon the Senatorial contest, which the prizes are to be young women of various ages | p'e proud of self-immolation at the cannon's mouth, by have given way to one scarcely less vigorously proceanand conditions of comediness-tickets (\$5 each) to be infecting them with opinions of military glory. So did ted,in the form of applications to the Canal Board. They bought only by bachelors, and should they refuse to wed | Charles XII, of Sweeden, and Frederick the Great of are besieged night and day, and the hungry expectants the ladies drawn, \$100 are to be given to each as a sub- Prussia. Cromwell made a nation of saints, and Charles, seem determined to abate no jet ner tittle of their imporstituted These "lotteries," under morst names are all II. one of libertines. The vital importance of opinions, | tunity until they receive a final answer. If the applicants and each maintained in utter violation of the law. The then, to the happiness of mankind, who can dispute? - who may be successful, will carry their energy and perrespectability of the Art Union has given countenance to When a word uttered or a sentiment published may conthe rest; and immediately followed, as that lottery was, sign a fellow-being to infant, or exalt a nation to honor, tainly prove most efficient officers, and the interests of by the "Gift Concerts" of the highly respectable Music how careful should we all be in the choice of "opinions?" the commonwealth will not suffer in their hands. As vet hauses of Jollie & Con the cupidity of the day took fire. What saved England in the agony of her hour of trial but I believe none, or very few appointments have been made, and here we are, with drawings of almost every kind the propagation of wise and liberal opinions by Sir Rob- the Commissioners reserving the announcement for next and description offered for our selection, to dups and ert Peel? What plunged the republic of France into the week." swindle the public in any manner its wants or tasts black gulf of practical monarchy, but the opinions so laboriously disseminated, that freedom meant fanarchy,"

The Cheap Postage Bill.

The cheap postage bill has passed the Heuse by a decided vote, and is now before the Senate. We see contradictory opinions expressed as to its passage though lowing is a synopsis of its provisions:

A uniform rate of three cents for half ounce letters. Postage to Oregon and California is the same as else where, three cents on letters, and one cout on newspapers. No discrimination is made.

Magazines are half postage when prepaid.

Country newspapers pay no postage within 30 miles. There are to be three cent coins to provide for the three cent postage The Post Master General is to provide three cent

stamps.
A million and a half offdoffers are appropriated to supply apprehended deficiences in the revenue under this Cheap restage law.

Letters are to be advertised once only, in papers have ing the greatest circulation 'within the range' of delivery of said office, at three cents on each letter called for.

deprived of the boucht of free exchange.

Post routes are to be established in cities and towns by the Post Master General where he thinks proper, and for letters delivered to and fro, receivable and deliverable from a City Post Office, one or two cents is to be paid as the Post Master Gefferal directs. The object is, in cities

and towns, to give the Post Master General the direction The consus of Carroll county. Ga., reports no less has blessed her faithful spouse with three sets, and sundry others with two sets pach. This boats Clarien coun-

Lycoming District, Pa., died at his residence at Wil-The New York Mirror, (Fillmere organ,) says that liemsport, on Sunday week. He was a preminent mem-

LEGISLATIVE JOTTINGS.

Under this head we intend, from week to week to condense from our Harrisburg papers and the correspondence of our exchanges the most important proceedings of the Legislature, as well as "jot down" some of the most interesting items of news and gessip fleating in and about our State Capitol.

Benking appears to be the "grand idea" of the seasion. Petitions for the incorporation of these metitations, in every conceivable nook and corner of the State, are as "thick as leaves in valembrosis." . Emboldened by tween the points mentioned. Suppose the managers of this evident "hankering after the flesh pots of Egypt" by Legislators and their constituents, the friends of Free cupy the great public ridge read—the one from Erlewest Banking have taken an early start, and show evidence of and the other from Eric east, to the state lines, and show Mr. Walker, of this county, and Mr. Van Horn, of Crawford, have introduced bills, to establish a system of Free Banking, into the Senate and House. We think it not must admit, to give confidence to any scheme relating to Banking. Its passage through the legislature must prove our "bread and Butter," so let it pass.

Among other items of local interest, we notice that Mr. Walker has introduced "a bill to lay out a certain public gal, or unauthorised and illegal? read in Erie county." What this "certain road" is where it runs to, and the other marks of identity, we are totally in the dark-we presume, however, it starts somewhere, leads to some place, and is in fact all right.

Speaking of roads, reminds us that Mr. Reid has introluced a bill cutitled **a supplement to the act incorporaing the Erie and Waterford Plank Road Company."-Mr. Walker has presented a petition from the Eric and to authorize the several banks of this commonwealth to dictate - the sooner the people know it the better. issue notes of the denomination of one, two, and three dollars. Also, a joint resolution relative to the tariff.

congratulation, specialition, and, in some quarters, won- who builds the read to the Ohio line whether the Pittsderment. The Ponnsylcanian, and other acknowledged burgh company or the Franklin Canal company—so that asseronts of "Pennsylvania's favorite son," claim the it is built in the manner the interest of pur town demand election of Broadhead as a triumph; while, per contra, But we are certainly tired of this "family quarrel," his opponents are just as certain it is a death-blow to all the sooner the question is brought before a legal tri his prospects in the state. We are of opinion that both for sjudication the better. In plain English, my are decrived—that it is neither a victory for or against and less peltifogging can now alone solve our co him. It has but little bearing, we apprehend, upon the dent's questions. Presidential question; indeed, it ought not, and if Mr. Broadhead is as sensible and discreet as we believe him to be, it will not.

As was generally expected, the Legislature has reelected Hon. John M. Bickel, State Treasurer. Mr. of graining the track of the Buffelo and State Line Road spot, and rouse an enthusian among the freemen that B. has made a very good officer, and a re-election was due him.

Mr. Packer, of the Senate, has introduced a bill divi-How often do we hear this assertion, yet how few step ding the State into (wenty Judicial districts. This is the to consider how "public opinion" is made. True, "public 20th district, and is composed of Erie, Crawford, War-Le opinion is omnipotent;" it controls fashion; it regu- ron and Venango. There is every indication of a pro- it was a free black woman that did it. lates the tie of a cravat, and it makes Presidents. It says tracted session. This Apportionment Bill will, of itself, how short and how long a lady may wear her silks and occupy much time, while many other measures of less satins, and it also moves the lever that moves the world- importance to the public at large, but more calculated to the press! It shuts out her who has fell from virtue's rouse and excite the feelings of the members, will also path from the fellowship of her sisters, while at their claim attention, and lengthen out the session considera-

caused her fall. O, yes, "Itablic opinion is omnipotent," Mr. Crabb presented a resolution granting Public Lands in fashions, in politics, in nigrals, and, shall we say it, in to the soldiers who served, in the Ware of 1812, and the religion! But what makes it so! Individual opinions Indian Wars, which was considered and passed, and or--your opinion, reader; our opinion, the opinion of ev. dered to be transmitted to the Senators and Members of

Whereas, Congress having at its last session enacted a

Bidding for Whig Votes

That Col. Benton is, in some respects, a shrewd politician, ne one will preterd to deny; but shrewd men, even, are sometimes at fault. We think Col. Benton, when, in the Sonate the other day, he threw out a bid the outside dead, with a shocking wound over the for whig votes in the Missouri legislature, by declaring right eye, his face blackened with powder and he himself in favor of specific duties instead of ad valorem, braine literally "blown out," shot very wide of the mark he aimed at. So far, the Whigs in the Legislature of Missouri have stood firm to small and delicate female; and we are sure that she their candidate. They evidently don't believe a word that body. We are of epinion that it will meet with "old Bulhou" says; and they are right. If he was in great peril, before she could have been induced to little difficulty, and will finally become a law. The fol- favor of specific duties in 1846, as he says he was, why in the name of Bentonianism, did'nt he make it man- dress, after firing the gun, leaving her children where ifest? Why so silent, when his voice was much more potential in the Senate than now? Then he was the bor's, where she had taken refuge. live lion, at whese roar all trembled; but now, what is he? The shorn ass, at whese bray every body laughs. ment prevailed the next day, and that public opinion There is such a thing as mon outliving themselves. The fully justified Mrs. Stillman, name of Benedict Arnold, had he perished upon some of the fields where he fought so valiantly in the early Woodrow McMurry, who, seventy years of age, todays of the revolution, would now be enshrined in the gether with his son William lived in the north east hearts of his countrymen side by side with a Montgomery and of Warren; but he outlived himself. So with Col. Benton. He has outlived his fame-he has sunk so low politically that we find him pandering to the fanaticism of the Abolitronists, while with a bow and a sesape he is humbling himself before his ancient foes for vetes.

There was no appearance of having been any fire in the house for several hours. The father and his son His insatiate ambition has ruined him. He has for were both of intemperate habits, and it is known that years been seeking the Presidency, but not content to they had procured a jug of whiskey upon the afterawait the propious mement, he has fell. Whe will raise noon before the death of the old man. The last time him up? Not the whigh, for they days not trust him .- he was seen, was at the door of his house, just at He has no claim upon the Democracy, for upon vital dark, on the evening before, he was evidently inquestions, such as the Aunexation of Texas, the Oregon difficulty, and the Mexican war, he turned his back upon them, and, if he did not act with the enemy, he was very blood upon the bed. William says he did not strike than forty-four sets of thins in that county! One lady efficient in giving them "aid and comfort." And now or injure the old man, that he does not know anything stroyed by fire, about two o'clock on Sunday mornbe has capped all by making a bid for whig votes in order to be returned to the Senate! Peer Thomas Hart terdsy, before F. S. Snow, Esq., of Clinton, he was that Mr. Uhappel was unable to save any portion. Tewn & Co. Beaten-thy political sun has indeed set in clouds!

COMMUNICATION.

-As you are an improvement man, I ask the privilege of putting some questions, hoping they will

alicit answers from yourself and others competent. 1. The Eric and Edinboro Plank Road Company the Erie and Watteburg Riank Road Company is author- ets, prefacing the presentation by a brief but very ized to construct a plank road from Erie to Wattsburg. Both of these companies have the choice of routes bethese companies should think it a good speculation to oca delectuination to make a "long pull, a strong pull, and locate their roads accordingly; would you think such a within hearing of his voice, that the present system a pull altogether" for the accomplishment of their object. location authorized by their charters and legal, or unauthorized and illegal?

2. The Franklin Canal Company, on certain conditions, is authorized to construct a rail road from the North fortunate for the success of the scheme that the bill end of the Franklin Line to Lake Erie, and has the choice South to attend to its own matters in its own way; should own its paternity to the Senator from Erio. His of routes to connect the two points. Suppose the manaprevious Bank reputation is not calculated, his friends gers of this company should take it into their heads that upon less important points, and units with the South it would be a good speculation to occupy the ground along in the great project to relieve the United States by the Lake Shore from Erie to the Ohio Line, and should the transportation of free blacks to Africe, with their an up-bill business at the best; but it is certainly none of actually locate accordingly, with a vice of forming this now carried on in flesh and blood. He spoke of the link in the Lake Shore Road; would you think such a location authorized by the grant to said company and lo-

be all realities before the year is up, and in this view are social position of the whites, while colonized upon important. I had supposed that a charter gave no privileges beyond what are expressly granted-that it took nothing by construction. I had supposed that the choice to the people of the North as well as the South, and of routes provided for in the cases stated, was limited to the proper and sole object of connecting the points mentioned. That there was no outside latitude-no right to signed by many distinguished gentlemer, Governors, Edenboro plank road company praying for the "extension go out of the way for the purpose of affecting another obto them of certain privileges." He also read in place ject. If I am mistaken, and a charter in Pennsylvaniania was referred, at his suggestion, to the committee on and presented a supplement to the act authorizing the an open authority to be filled at pleasure—a more floating sale of the Erie and Waterford turnpike road; and a bill warrant to be located as the cupidity of the owners shall Erie, Jan. 22, 1851.

The question (forthere is actually but one) our cor-(Query-la Mr. Walker sent to Harrisburg to legislate respondent propognide above, has been troubling volder and was signed by some three hundred citizens of on matters clearly within the province of the national leg - and wiser heads" han ours for a year or more, and we do islature? or is he possessed with the idea that he was not see that we, or they, are any nearer a decision than gressmen, gremment literateurs on the list of name. to leave this saith for a happier home, thought deeply of Houston, and so intense were line at the could not rest satisfied till he had light far off to another State with the idea that he was not set that we, or they, are any nonser a decision than gressmen, gremment literateurs on the list of rame, out the set off to another State with the signers were among the most requisiting a visit from him and a least interview upon construct a plank road from Waterford to Maryin's Mills. each problems; and if there is a legal way of solving all assured but, that there were any nonser a decision than gressmen, gremment literateurs on the list of rame, out the second from Pennsylvania, (Cooper) had not requisiting a visit from him and a least interview upon construct a plank road from Waterford to Marvin's Mills. each problems; and if there is, the scoper the agricved re- respectable men in that district, and that one of them The result of the Senatorial election is the theme of sort to it the better for all parties. We care not one straw was brother to a man who was candidate for Gover-

The Gazette is in favor of re-naminating Johnston for a second term. We have alw stood the Guzette to be in favoriof the sone ple." but it appears we were nristaken. I aver, as it is morally certain Col. Bigler w Governor, it only intends the nomination as a compli

IJ A negro boy was recently, whipped to death near Marlbore', Maryland-but hold on, sweet abolitionists!-

IF We invite attention to the Advertisement of "Dr. Hall's Cough Remedy." The names attached to the he had determined to carry out the intentions of the certificate are enough in themselves to commend it to public confidence, but as it is implicated an article of feelings. Mr. Seward contended that it was right shows production," we think it ought to be sought after and proper to allow a Senator to decline voting and for the diseases it professes to cure, by the citizens of this Mr. Hale and Mr. Foote gave the Senator from county, at least.

The Rev. Mr. Maxnan, will preach at the Universalist Church on Ninth street, to morrow at the usual hours.

"Important, if True."

We find the following article in the Germantown

has just been brought to light the application of a spre should be passed. Mr. Poote said as he had Life & Boalth Insurance Co. of Harrisburg, Pa power which is to supercede entirely the present steam power of the world! This agnouncement may stagger some, but the discovery, when shall be divulged will stagger them a thousand times more. It has been made by an Enstern man, who has com-

pleted his model-one of which will be deposited at Washington as soon as patent rights shall be secured in the different European countries. The machinery is entirely perfected—the power is a motive one, and steam has no part in creating it. Steample and economical aretile principle and application that two tons of coal will be sufficient to drive the argest ship of the line around the world.

We are not at liberity now two divulge more of this wonderful discovery; but we predict, with the greatest confidence, that a short time only will clapse pefore a total revolution will, take place throughout the world in our motive power system. Indeed, we assert, with the same confidence, that the year 1850 terminated the soverignity of steam.

This is no chimera. We mean what we say-and ime, brief in point of duration, will evolve this wonder, at present hid as with a gauze, only from the public eye, to the astonishment far greater than that produced by the discovery of steam or the magnetic

A TRAGICAL AFFAIR-MAN SHOT BY A WOMAN. We leran from the Marion (Ala.) Commonwealth, that, on the night of the 24th ult., a man by the name of R. J. Morse was shot and instantly killed by Mrs. Sarah Ann Stillman, the wife of John A. Stillman, who is by trade a painter. Morse was a carpenter, and leaves a wife and four children .-The Commonwealth says:

Mr. Stillman reside in a small house near the walls of the Female Seminary building, now in the course of errection in Marion Morse had been at work on the building. Mr. Stillman was absent, while his wife and three small children were left at home by themselves. The report of the gun aroused the neighbors-who upon repairing to the spot found the gun of Mr. Stillman lying on the flour, with one barrel empty, a hole through a pane of glace and Morse on

It is truly a tragical affair. Mrs. Stillman is a take a gun even into her hands. Bo fearfully alarm they were found and conveyed to her at the neigh-

We learn from a private source that great excite-SUPPOSED MURDER OF A FATHER BY HIS SON

corner of our town, called the Irish settlement, was, on Saturday last, about noon, found dead in his bed; with marks of violence about his person, indicating that he had died by the hand of violence. His sen William was found lying dead drunk upon the hearth. toxicated. There were marks of blood upon the floor, which had apparently been swept with a broom

FROM WASHINGTON.

ondence of the Pennsylvanian WASHINGTON, Jan - 17th, 1851,

The Nigger question, in two phases, contributed to some interesting, some funny, and some (as Mrs. Partington would say) buckram speeches in the Senate. Mr. Clay opened the ball by the presentation authorized to construct a road from Erre to Edenbore; and of a memorial in favor of the African line of steamcomprehensive speech, which did credit to the occasion and the great object he had in view, the suppression of the slave trade by the colunization of the chast of Africa, whence the descendants of Ham are dragged away to the shambles of the Brazils, The great Kentuckian made a statement in regard to the playe trafic, which must have convinced every one of attempting the suppression of the slave trade, by supporting expensive squadrons on the coasts of Atrica and Brazil whittle above the dignity of a failure. In his remarks Mr. Clay made a stirring appeal to the people of the north—that they would allow the that they would refrain from exciting discussions stringent laws passed by some of the states, prohibiting free negroes to live within their borders, and asked where these poor creatures were to go to .-These questions are put hypothetically, but they may They could never, in this country, attain the high the land of their forefathers, they would enjoy largest liberty. Such a change would be beneficial even more beneficial to the poor degraded free negroes themselves. I give but a glauce at his re harks. The memorial, Mr. Clay remarked, was ex-Governors, ex-Members of Congress, &c., and Commerce. The next phase of the African subject was the

presentation of a memorial by Mr. Hale, the great advocate of free niggerism from New Hampshire. The petition asked the repeal of the law of last, seasion in relation to the reclaiming of fugitive slaves Monigomery county, Fa. Mr. Ifale said he could nor, (Lewis.) He then proceeded (as Mr. Cooper had done on a previous occasion) to give his opinion on the subject, which was that the law was a parady, et ceteda, and ought to be repealed. Mr. Poote called Mr. H. to order, as did other Schators, pending his efforts to speak, and finally, after some sharp skirmishing, in which nobody was badly injured, a motion to lay the memorial on the table prevailed, as your telegraphic reports have already informed you by a vote of \$5 to 15. . When the name of Mr. Yylee of Florida, was called he thil not vote, and Mr. Foote called upon the President of the senate to en-

force the qu'e. Here quite a curious conversational discussion grose, that was interspersed with some feeling and more fun. Mr. Yules attempted to explain his reasoms for not voting, but Mr. Hale shut him off by raising a point of order. Mr. Floote moved to com-pel Mr. Y. to vote, and Mr. Yulee asked to be excused on which he explained his reasons. The Legislature of Florida were about passing instructing resolves, directing the Senators from that State not to vote at all on the subject before the Senate, and although he had not yet received any instructions, Legislature, which were in accordance with his own New York and the Senator from Florida a broat-side each on the ingher law principle. When Mr. Foote proposed to take the year and nave upon the motion to excuse Mr. Yulce, Mr. Hale asked to be excused from voting; and after a great deal of give and take, three or four points of order raised, and as many decided by the Steaker, Mr. Yolee attempted to agrees the Senate. He said the would vote it who directed to only Mr. Yuice's name, and did so, bit he refused to answer, and the speaker intimated that, it rested with the Senate whether a vote of con started the business, he would leave the rest to older Senators, but here he was called to order by Mr. Hale. Mr. Butter of S. C., said he had refused to vote and should do so, thus placing himself in the Practical Examples, Showing the Advantages to be Dericed from a connection as Mr. Yulee. The name of Mr. same connection as Mr. Yulee. The name of Mr. Builer was again called, and he refused to vote, and

flowing from the Memphis Eagle:-

recompanied by a white man, called at the mayor soffice. The object of the negro was to have a paper purporting to be a certificate of his freedom from the county clerk of Lincoln county, countersigned by the major and recorder, in order that he might travel upon the river. Recorder Chaster at once discovered the certificate was forged, and depending into the street to have the negro arrested; he called up Messrs. Poston, Waldran, and Frazier, the latter of whom made some remarks to the negro relaying the his conduct; and Mr. Chester went in search to was forged. of a police officer to take the negro into custody. Not finding one, Mr. C. returned. He told the negro to go up into the mayor's office.

Mr. Chester then turned to deliver a paper to Esq. Waldron, when immediately the negro drew a pistol and fired it at him; the ball entered his head on the left side, below the ear. Mr. C. fell at once, and only lived five minutes, without speaking. Mr. Frazier and Mr. Brady promptly clinched with the negro, who attempted to use his pistol again. Mr. Frazier wrested the pistol from him, and finding that he could not discharge it again, chastised the negro severe

ly. An excited crowd at once rushed in. Shortly Mr. Chemer's sen a lad of seventeen, came in, crazed with his terrible misfortune, was furnished with a pistol, and fired three slugs into the negroes back. They inflicted a mostal wound.
The negro was hurried off to the callaboose.—

A crowd, excited to frenzy by the spectacle of the dead Chester, followed, compelled the surrender of ed was she that she fled from the house in her night; the calabdose keys, dragged out; the negro, and in the view, of an immense crowd, swung him up; to the next tree. He confessed that he was a runaway before dying.

A Volument. -One of the worst vulgarisms of the day is embodied in the word "patronage." have always been at a loss to understand this term discuses. Thousands of Certificates of cures by this make incorporated with the language of the times. If wonderful And ASTONISHING. a man buys a pair of boots, getting the full value of his money, he calls himself the "patron" of the manufacturer—The purchaser of six cents worth of to-ufacturer—The purchaser of six bacco, or a penny-worth of tape, is a "patron," and looks upon those on whom he lavishes this "patronage" with a condecending eye, as if he had fed. clothed, and sheltered them. One's patron, regarding the term in its true light, is a person who gives one alms. Patronage, in short, is charitable protection. It is no patronage to give money for its full value. The term, as now most generally employed, is one of a most servile sycaphantic charac-ter, and it should be expunged from the modern voter, and it should be expunged from the modern vocabulary. + Noch's Sunday Times.

FIRE.-We regret to learn that the dwelling house of Mr. J. W. S. Chappel, about a mile from William says he did not strike this borough, on the Franklin road, was entirely deterdsy, before F. S. Snow, Esq., of Clinton, he was that Mr. Chappel was unable to save any portion recommitted to the county jail, to swait his trial for said under the first said was unable to save any portion of the county jail, to swait his trial for paricide. A sad New Yew to the prisoner—and corn and qats, and every article of clothing, in the were we in his place we should deem it a scarce less house, were consumed. The fire was first discovery. AP Harper, of the Post, has been elected one of the were we in his place we should deem it a scarce less house, were consumed. The fire was first discov-Conneilmen of Pittsburgh. We congratulate him new, and New Year to the person who sold the liquor, ered in a bed, and is supposed by Mr. C. to have sind when we visit the "sumeky city" we'll be sure to the person who sold the liquor, and is supposed by Mr. C. to have take a julip with part of the corporation. Here's our ET tainly have killed the father.—Tecument Michigan his coat previous to his laying it on the bed some charges and take it way.

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Good Time Coming.—An item from a religious paper tells us that the Presbyterians of a town not a thausand miles from Exeter, N. II., have voted that Unitariane are Christians. Good—there's one more hitch towards the millenium. It appears, however, that a most accomplished Unitarian bad been preaching to the congregation in disguise for some time.

MORE LIGHT .- The N. Y. Journal of Commerce s informed by a scientific correspondent that a mode of making hydrogen gas from water has been dis. covered at Paris. The writer gives no account of the process, but says it is very simple and easier to use than Mr. Paine's. The hydrogen is carbonized by the use of a burner of plating.

MARRIED.

On the 14th inst., in this city, by Rev. H. Silliman, Mr. William C. Hawkins, and Miss Eather Walbridge, both late of Pyevidence, R. I.
On the 31st ult., at Batesville, Arkansas, Mr. R. R. ellogg, fermerly of this city, and Mus Sarah L.

of the former place.
On the 16th inst., by Rev. Mr. Stonenbanger, Mr. Gabriel Wright, and Miss Rebecca Brabender, both of Mill.

DIED. On the 20th inst., Mr. David Church, an old and mach

respected citizen pf Millcreek township, aged 62 years.
On the 19th inst., Mr. Thomas Skinner, of Waterley township, in the Blet year of his age. NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

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Eric, January 23, 1831.

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ate of Girard, dee'd. All persons, therefore, indebted to said estate are requested to make payment without delay, and all persons having ripims against said estate, are requested present them dily authenticated for settlement.

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Our triends and the public are respectfully invited to rais and
common our goods and prices before purchasing. examine our goods and prices before purchasing. Erie, Jan. 26, 1851.

Stray Cow.

CAMII to the subscriber in in Millereek township, about the treat of Lineary, a small brandle cow, line back, and a recontribution of the top of the right ear, about seven years old. The other of Jan 1-51. 3037 GEORGE W. BARTON PREEMAN, HODGES & CO.

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TRAGEDY IN MEMPILES—LYNCHING.—We copy the fallowing from the Mempiles Eagle:—

One the 1st inst., our community was convulced by one of those violent excitements, before which crustomary barriers give way. A horrible murder was followed by a summary and terrible punishment. The details of the tragedy, as accurately as we can ascertain, are these:

About 3 o'clock, P. M., of Wednesday; a negro, accompanied by a white man, called at the mayor softice. The object of the negro was to have a paper purporiting to be a certificate of his freedow from.

J. W. Wittman, Sec'y .- January 25, 1851. Stray Steer. CAME to the farm of of the subscriber, in Fairtiew Township, about the list of December last, a fair sized red and whice steer, about three years old, no artificial marks. The owner in

Clayer to the residence of the Subscriber, in Millereck Toria ship, on the 19th of December last, two calves, for 10 months old. One a dark red heifer, some white on the belly. The other a light red steer, with some white on the belly, ho artificial marks the owner is requested to come prove property.

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