MONDAY, Dec. 6. SENATE. The eSenate was called to order at a quarter past twelve, and forty-three members ap peared in their seats.

Mr. Bright presented the credentials of Hon. Charles W. Cathcart, of Indians, who was appointed by the Governor to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Mr. Whitcomb; and Mr. C. was qualified and took his scat. . .

Mr. Jones, of Tennessee, presented the credentials of sion. Archibald Dixon, who was elected by the legislature of Kentucky to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Mr. Clay. A long discussion arose as to the question of Mr. Dixon's right to the seat, which was interrupted by the reception of the President's annual message. The reading of the message having been concluded, the Sanate ad-

House or Raphesentarius .- The House met. and one hundred and eighty-two members answered of the day's session. Seats were drawn for. The angual message was read. In the course of the day's I of printing five thousand copies of the President's message in the Spanish language.

TUESDAY, Dec. 7, SENATE .- The President of the Seate laid Before that body a report from the . Secretary of the Navy in relation to the classification of the clerks in that department.

The Rev. C. M. Butler was chosen chaplain for the Senate to serve during the present session. A bill was introduced in relation to the circuition of small notes in the District of Columbia.

The question of Mr. Dixon's right to a seut in th Senate was then taken up, and discussed by Mr. Jones, of Tennessee, and others, until the hour of adjournment, Mr. Badger having the time for to-

House of Representatives .- Mr. Weightma concluded the speech commenced on the day before in favor of printing five thousand copies of the President's message in the Spanish language. Mr. Brooks proposed the appointment of a select committee, with power to send for persons and papers who should be charged with the duty of revising the present tariff of duties on imports, S.c.; which became the subject of an animated debate, in which Mr. Brooks, Mr. Richardson, Mr. Jones, of Ten nessee, Mr. Millson, Mr. Clingman, Mr. Brown, o Mississippi, Mr. Stephens, of Georgia, Mr. Hall and Mr. Dean, participated. After which, the House refused to appoint the said committee. The report from the select committee on the Gardiner c'aim was next taken up, on motion of Mr. King of New York; and it was ordered to be printed; the said re port and accompanying bill to prevent frauds on the treasury being referred to the Committee of the Whole on the state of the Union. The House next proceeded to elect a chaplain, the choice falling on the Rev. James Gallagher, of Missouri; and then they adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 8. SENATE. - A communication was received from the Secretary of the Interior in relation to the class sification of clerks in that department.

Mr. Ruck aubmitted a resolution, which was adopted, calling upon the Secretary of State for copies of correspondence respecting the encroach ment of Indians upon the territory of Mexico.

Mr. Clemens introduced a joint resolution autho izing the President of the United States to confe the title of lieutenant general by brevet for emices A bill was received from the House, providing

for compensation for the bringing of the electoral votes for President and Vice President of the United States to the seat of government; which was considered and passed. The question of Mr. Dixon's right to a seat who

taken up, and, after some debate, it was postponed until Monday next; and shortly after the Benste adjourned.

HOUSE OF REFRESENTATIVES .- The arrangement of the various standing committees for the session was announced; and in the course of the reading of the previous day's proceedings, Mr. Houston misoduced a bill appropriating \$20,000 to pay the messengers of the different States for bringing to Washington the official yores for President and Vice President; which was duly passed. Mr. Scudder then announced in an appropriate address the death of the late honorable and Rev. Orin Fowler, of Massachusetts, which occurred in this city shortly after the close of the last session; and the customary ed for this strange discovery. How gould these resolutions having been passed, the House adjourn-

THURSDAY, Dec. 9 SKNATE. - A number of petitions were presented

Mr. Hamlin, of Maine, moved that the committee on engrossed bills be directed to act, temporarily, on the resolution, introduced by Mr. Hole, of N. H., rescinding the resolution of the Senate against funeral honors to members who had died during the recess of the Senate. Motion agreed to and the resolution taken up.

tion to the Secate, while the latter had taken no no- in safety. Such conduct is worthy the hero, and tice whatever of the subject. This he contended Mr. McGrath may well be proud of so daring and was not proper or right. Mr. H. concluded by ad- successful an achievement. vocating the propriety of adopting the old and I ored custom.

Mr. Cass followed, and opposed the resolution .ed to any notice being taken of it. .

resolution, and it was lost-years 15; nays 21. It was agreed that when the Senate adjourn it be ble in their reach. until Monday next.

House .- Mr. Duncan of Miss., announced the ables are all saved. death of his late colleague, Hon. Benj. Thomason, his residence in Mass. After eulogizing in a hapthe adoption of the costomary resolutions of condolence, which was agreed to.

the hands of his private Secretary, which, however district, which will be opened this morning. was not opened.

FRIDAY Dec. 10. House.-After disposing of some unim; criant business, on motion of Mr. Houston, of Alabama, fice are saved. the House went into committee of the the Whole Seven thousand dollars was collected at the differ-

on the state of the Union. Mr. Stuart, of Michigan, en polls on election day for the Washington Monin chair. Mr. Alouston moved the adoption of the himial. rule feferring the different subjects of the Preci- Liss \$100,000. dent's Message to the appropriate committees!

so as to refer the subject of tariff and revenue to a land Monigomery streets. Loss \$100,000. special committee, with power to send for persons Mr. B. projected to speak at some length is sop- was between 4-5000. port of the smeadment. The committee of ways to give the tariff a proper consideration. It having ture will be largely Democratic, enough to do with the appropriation bill before them, done, his constituents felt uneasy at being \$25,000, diggings were expected to yield well. 000 surplus in the U. S. Treasury constantly increasing, and the Sub Treasury was at best but a miser hearding up gold. He would vote for extravigant international improvements; he would double the army and navy rather than the accumulation should continue affecting as it does injuriously, the State. currency and commerce of the country. Mr. B. propositions he advanced, was one for the repeal of ganized for the construction of a radical between the duty on iron, and more of a specific and less of Benicia and Marysville. an ad valorem duty.

Mr Baily replied in opposition to any action at present. He thought it good policy to pay the publis debt, as the U. S. stock were worth as much to the government when the treasury was replete as to anybody else.

Messre, Lockhart and Jones moved ameniments in favor of referring the subject to a select committee, with instructions to report a bill for the reduction of the tariff, to a revenue standard.

Mr. Woodward followed. His speech was confined to the tariff, and the advocacy of a radical free trade. He was much afraid the present tariff would create a commercial revulsion, by surplus revenues.

Ate a ferulaion.

Mr. Gormon, (Dem.) of Ia., gave notice of his atention to introduce a bill authorising the Presi ent to confer the brevet title of Lieut, Gen. Several Voices-"I object."

Mr. Gormon-Idon't care. I give the notice, The house then adjurned till Monday.

ATER PROM CALIFORNIA Arrival of the Illinois-\$2,500,000 in Gold Dust on board.

New York, Dec. 12. The Illingis, with the California mails and 540 assengers, arrived at 9 o'clock, A. M.

She has on freight \$2,139,460 in gold, and \$400 000 in hands of passengers. The rainy session on the Isthmus had closell. an the heat was infense, the mercury standing at 85 de green.

The appiversary of the Independence of the lath procession and oration. The National Legislature of Ecuador had author ized the President to declare war against Hern it to their names-a few more appearing in the course case satisfaction and reparation was not made for its participation in the expedition of Gen. Pfores.

The Sucramento Union states that the fire in that proceedings sundry bills were introduced, and Mr. city broke on: at 11 o'clock on the night of Novem-Weightman addressed the House at length in favor ber 21, and was first discovered in a miliner's shop fituated in the heart of one of the must combustible blocks in the city. The wind was blowing a gale at the time, and

the flames spread with fearful rapidity. In three hours sixteen hundred houses was in ashes, and with them an immense amount of goods. The total number of buildings burnt was twenty five hundred. Eight or ten lives were last.

The contributions from the towns and cities the vicinity in aid of the sufferers was liberal ! San Francisco alone contributad \$30,000. INCIDENTS OF THE FIRE. - As before stated, the

fire originated in the frame building of Madame Lanos' dry goods and fancy store. Messrs, Hiller & Andrew sustained a serious loss of jewelry, by the burating open of their safe, while

being removed. A man named Lyon was killed by the falling in of the walls of Reynolds & Co's brick block. A man named Woodward was burned to death in the Dawson House, on Fourth st.

The bunes of a hospital patient were found among the ruins. A fleshy mass was also discovered, supposed to be the body of a second victim. The election returns of all the precints were for

tunately saved. The printing office of the State Journal was entirely destroyed. A portion of the Union office was saved by the use of great exer-Frequent inquiries are made for missing gersone,

which leads to the belief that the loss of human life is much greater than reported."

The engine companies were rendered inoperative from the scarcity of water, and the astounding velocity with which the flames pursued them-drive ing them back whole blocks at a time, and indeed from one street to another before they could make the necessary attachments with their hope. The only public house left in the city, west of the Plaza, is the Oriental Hotel, on the North side of 1-street.

1-street now presents the only line of hornesoccasionally interrupted by the ruins-extending from the river to the Plaza, above Ninth-st. Twelve millions of dollars is by no means an exaggerated estimate of the loss sustained in property

by this fire. The Overton Bluck checked the flames which crossed from the north to the south side of J street, and thence back, against the wind, to the American Theatre, further down the street, and of frame. A. Riviere, who kept the hair-dressing saloon in Overton's Block lost \$1,000. The loss of the Carle Brothers, in the same building, about \$3,500.

The high winds prevailing since Tuesday evening, have been so excessively uncomfortable as to add to the calamity of the fire, and depress the minds of business men to such a degree that they can scarcely exercise the power of volition on few subjects concerning the plan of their future operations. Deprived of all the comforts of life, they are thrown into the atreets or crowded together in such masses at the few public places of resort still remaining, that action with them is a thing almots impossible.

on the wharf vesterday morning, wrapped in blan beis. On attempting to wake them-as it was supposed they were indulating in sleen-and removing inat they were quite dead.

merchive got there and in that condition? Mr. M. A. Acherson furnishes us with the fol-

lowing thrilling incident of the fire: When the borne along by the tumult into the street; where she heard her little daughter, six years old, calling "mother! mother!" Her feelings, under such circometances, can well be imagined. The flamewere bursting out of the upper windows of the building; Its eastern side was rapidly yielding to their influence, and no hope commended itself to the mother's agonizing heart for her child's eafery. At Mr. Hale addressed the Senate for some time in this moment Mr. Wm. P. McGrath, at the peril of his its favor. He said that or two years the flouse of own life, made his way through the rushing tire and deceased members, and had also announced its ac- the little child, which he bore to its mother's arms

There have been enormous losses sustained by in Washington, that it was proper to pass and pay his own witchman, and never leave his property funeral honors to the deceased, but when the death unguarded for a moment. There are hundreds of should occur away from the Capital, he was oppos- desperate characters in our midst, that are revelting in the calamity that has befallen our citizens .-A vote was then taken upon the adoption of the Vast herds of pitfering China men and Mexicans are prowling about seizing upon everything valua-

The Common Council books, records and valua

The burnt district already shows sighs of activi from the 4th Dist., who died a few months since at tv. and is already covered with tents, and gangs of py manner, his many noble qualifications, he mived ate erection of stores, Ecc. As an instance of the indefarigable spirit of our citizens under calamity, we will cite that of Wm. McNulty, who has erected

> Mr. D. O. Brigham is amongst the missing, and supposed to be a victim of the fire. The letters, papers, and valuables of the Post of

unient throughout the State. The fire at Marysville consumed an entire block.

mis Message to the appropriate committees. The fire at San Francisco was confined to a sin-Mr. Brooks, of New York, moved an amendment, gle half block, bounded by Kearner, Mcrchant, Clay The presidential election passed off with spirit.

The entire Dem. State and Congress tickets were and means, he said, had too much before it already elected by a reduced majority. The pext Legisla-

The rainy season had commenced with copious and with regard to the tariff something must be showers. The miners were doing well. The dry The Indian war on the Colorado had ceased

a treaty of peace was secured. The emigrants were arriving in good health, and reported little trouble from the Indiana.

Improvements were progressing throughout th The line of telegraph between San Francisco and continued with his remarks. Among the tariff Marysville has been commenced, suda company or

> Signs of Ruis -The Manchester (N. H. Mirror) says that the Amoskeeg Manufacturing Company intend nilding an existence bleachery, and probably a dye house in connection with it, in that city during the coming year. The bleachery will consist of about half a dozen buildings, and involves an outlay of about \$100. 000, and will give employment to about 100 men. It will be sufficiently large to bleach and finish from 2,500 to 3,000 pieces a day. How are these manufacturies to be protested?

EFIt is confidently expected that the Kansas territory Mr Brown of Miss., asked if a further reduction will be organized during the coming section of Congress. would not increase the importations, and thus cre- It will probably extend worth to the Plotte, south to Ar kapens, and west to the Rocky Mountains.

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ERIE, PA.

SATURDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 18, 1852.

The second secon Piano Fortes.

We would call attention to the advertisement Mesers. Sage & Sous of Buffile, which may be found in another column. The reputation of the Pions mentioned is world-wide, and the variety of effects produced by the doles company attachment is wonderful and at the same time beautiful. The demand for these Piance is such that Mesare. S. & S, are not enabled to keep a full lect to define her position before the public, to assert usek of them on hand though they receive from three to five and sometimes more per week. Mr. MaWherter is mus, was celebrated on the 27th Nov. by a grant at Brown's Hotel and will give further information and receive orders for them for a day or twe.

> THE flome JOYANAL -Among the few so-called liter ary papers with which our cities abound, the "Home Journal's is one we can enfely recommend to our readers, It always has something new in it—some new idea, item or paragraph not to be found now where else. As one of our cotemporaries remarks, it gives us a view of everything worth knowing, and condenses volumes of juformation into convenient space. The new volume commences under the most brilliant auspices, and will exceed all its prodecessors. A new supply of Pencillings from the pen of Willis-new Songs and Ballade by Mirris: a new Novel; an additional Department for the Ladies; and enlarged accounts of Lectures, Schemes of Benevolence, etc.,-are among the novelties announced.' We know of no more acceptable present from a gentleman to a lady than the " Home Journal | for a year. Morris & Willie, New York. Price, \$2.

We see by the Miners' Advocate, Coloma, Cal., that our friend and subscriber, J. Conness, Esq., has by a decisive majority. Mr C. is a radical Democrat, a by another name, and the Erie and North East Compabody to which he is elected.

Decided -California has gone for Pierce and King by the decided majority of 5,000. Pretty well for the Golden state; a state, our renders will receiledt, the whige confidently claimed. Those bets that were made in various localities, that Scott would not get five states, may now -be considered decided.

Southern Bank of Indiana. This institution, located at Tera Hauto, and organized under the general Banking Law, will go into operation about the first of January. It has a capital of \$100,000, accured by Virginia state stocks. It is swned in this city by Mesers. Williams & Wright; the senior partner of which firm is about to move to Terra Haute for the purpose of conducting the business.

EP WE DOR'T BELIEVE IT .- One of our exchanges says the President elect has signified his determination not to "remove from the post of naval officer at Boston." such determination. It would be decidedly out of that! proceeding called for by every principle involved in the and North East Company was represented there. So was Taylor's vote united exceeded his 3,642. which call Gen. Pierce will not disregard. Why Fletch: all that both gauges should terminate their roads at Erie. er Webster should be exempt from this inevitable rule. merely because he is the son of his father, in a proposition we cannot understand. As we I might John Smith, Jr , claim that he should not be superceded as Post Master at Smithville, merely because he is the son of John Smith, Sr.

THE LIEUT. GENERAL .- We eche the protest of Senator Clemens to confer on Gen. Scott the amount is tle of Lieutenant General. Gen. Scott is already, by seniority, at the head of the officers of the army, and way to get-over said latter road: Therefore, the covering from their faces, it was tirst discovered conferring on him this title will neither put money in his purse or make him greater than he is. God knows we that the Democratic press of the country will speak out boldly and freely on this subject. As as Democrat, we figured broke out in the Cresent City Hotel, she was consider this a great innovation, and are surprised that it should eminate from one who claims to be a Democrat. We are opposed to it from beginning to end .

The Pirst Snow.

The weather, in its multifarious phases, in a problic source of of conversation among all classes and at all seasons. Whether nature be decked in the holiday-green | meeting held in Buffelo, and if so, ascertain whether of Summer, or tobed in the sumbre hue of bleak December: whether the genial sun of Spring heralds the Representatives had continued to pay honors to its smoke, and by almost superhuman effort, reached budding flowers or the feathery flower of the first snow ken to Mr Rieley, President of the Dunkirk & State storm proclaim the setting in of Winter, the fashionable | Line Company, who endorsed also upon it the acceptbelle and the rustic maidon, the bashful wooer and the ance of that Company, approving of it in as strong terms gay gallant, turn instinctively to the weather to keep Mesers. Courtright and Kelley, Directors of the Eric & alive their sometimes flagging conversation. Why, then North East Company, and approved of by the Buffalo & parties thiving goods exposed on the Levee, and may not we, in the present political calm and full of State Line Company. It was then left with that comthing thieves have been arrested in the act of ear- rail road excitement, indulge in a little weather-wise pany, and is now in the possession of its efficers, unless He considered that when a Schator or Member field rying off goods and valuables. Every man must be musings over our first snow. That this event brings with it much joy and some sorrow is a trite and off-re- Risley, the Presidents of the companies referred to, depeated assertion: To the poor, God help them, it is over my them. If they are not true, let the officers of the an unwelcome visitor; for where there was a scanty supply Buffelo & State Line Company produce the copy left with that Company by Mesars. Courtright and Kelley; of necessaries before, there will now be sure to follow want gaunt, starving want! But to most of us, and in our to some extent at least, disabused." land of plenty, much the larger proportion may be counted among us, the first snow is a welcome messenger .- East of Erie have not-originated with us, but with the To the young it brings bright visions of happy merry- two rival companies of New York, each intent upon getmakings-balls, routes, sleigh-rides and cozy evening ting the advantage of the other, and each determined to parties. To the practical matter-of fact man, and of force their respective measures and designs upon Pennsuch is our readers in good part composed, the first snow, sylvania in defiance of law and the wish of the people. bringing with it winter in all its severity, is a source of in- It also appears that what is called the "gauge law," finite dollar-and-cent gratification. He looks at it, (as originates no break of gauge; that Pennsylvania has no A message was received from the President, by an iron building on Jet., in the heart of the burnt one of our exchanges remarks) not in its plansure-im- power to prevent such a break, as it is a necessity of the parting attributes, how it stimulates the evening party; diversity of gauges East and West of us, and what Eric Eric county, Ps. the dince, the hearth-stone gatherings, and the jolly. county could do to simplify and diminish inconveniences collicking sleig-hrides: but rather to its labors as a beast existing without her sgency and control, she has freely of burden, how it carries our logs to the saw mill, our done. umber to market, our year's stock of wood to the back | She finds that this diverity of the Eastern and Westand papers, and to report by bill or otherwise .- About 70,000 votes were polled. Pierce's majority heles, and in jouncing over cordurer roads, and stumps New York, which was rejected; and she still offers to ter labors as we now do. Agein we say blessed be snow! designates, as she has clearly the right to do, the point at Let it come in its atill soft falling flakes, or if it please, which the differing gauges shall meet-at the city of away we go! Whe wants summer niways?

EF The Home Journal gives the following as the course Gon. Pierco has adopted to get rid of office sockers, and their pales-feelers: He says to them, in reply to their congratulations, "You are mistaken, sir, I have not been elected to the presidency, and may not be .--Certain gentleman, it is true, have been elected electors to elect a President, but they have not yet done it; at least I have not yet been advised of their doing it. They may elect me, and they may not. They are at full liberty to choose whom they please; and, in short, sir, until they have made their choice, I positively decline to speak with any living man upon the subject of appointments." Exit pulse-feeler, struggling to smile. The stery may be true, and we hope it is-at all events it just like what we take Frank Pierce to be.

One of our exchanges, evidently edited by a modest young man, says that when a lady is creasing the male biped to look at her. It is rude-any it is impudent, unless abe le a Bladenor, or has macolignouly protty feat

The Position of Eris on Rail Road Matters.

The enactment, by the legislature of Pennsylvania, of the law regulating the width of rail roads possing through her territory, known as the "gauge law," has placed the county of Erio in a peculiar and important position and has imposed upon her a responsible duty n relation to that law. Powerful interests and combinaious are at war with this position and this daty, and, to drive her from them; misrepresentation and condomnation have been recorted to; public indignation has been inroked against her by the false accession of throwing ob. stacles in the way of trade and travel; and conlitions have been formed to subdue her from an honorable vigilance over the interests and honor of the State to which she belongs. It now becomes a duty she can no longer neg cláim now made.

contract, and were approaching a completion of the same. dom to give up their position upon railroad matters. As Buffalo gave no sign, or very little, of meeting them, a contract, (here we quote from an article in the Gazette of the 2d.) "was entered into between the Dunkirk and been elected to the Legislature, from El Dorado county State Line Company, which was the New York and Erie man of sterling talent, and will make his mark in the by, by which, on the terms set forth in the contract, the New York and Erio railroad, of aix feet gauge, was to be extended to the city of Erie, thus making Erie the western terminus of the New York and Erie railroad .-The Eric and North East Company had graded their read bed and now proceeded to lay down the ties and rails at a six feet gauge, in accordance with the above stated agreement and in accordance with the gauge law passed by our Legislature the 11th of March, 1851.

When the agreement of the 27th of April, 1850, was known at Buffalo, and to those interested in the Railroads east of that city, there was much dissatisfaction, perhaps rightly; for the agreement to extend the six foot road to Erie, ent off Buffalo with her four feet eight and a-half inch track from reaching the west along the south shore of Lake Erie, and compelled the railroads terminating at Buffalo to seek the west through Canada, or loose much of that trade and travel. Smarting under the position i which these companies found themselves, they courted interviews with the Eric and North East and the New Flotcher Webster, the son of the late Secretary of State. York and Erie Companies. Repeated meetings, of an We don't believe the President elect has signified any informal character took place; at which the companies interested in the four feet eight and a-half inch gauge racter, as well as uncalled for. Berhaps, technically tried, and tried hard to have such a modification of the speaking, Gen. Pierce will not "remove" Fletcher Web. agreement of the 27th of April, 1850, as to allow the roads ster, for we doubt very much whether he will "remove" of the four feet eight and a-half inch gauge to reach any faithful whig official; but that he will supercede them! Eric. In July, 1850, one of these informal meetings when their commissions expire by good Democrats, is at took place at the Mansion House in Buffalo. The Erie Cass over Taylor was then 6,747; but Van Buren and canyass which has elevated him to the Presidency, and the New York and Erie. It appeared to be the wish of After that meeting and in pursuance of it and with an honest intention to accommodate all the eastern railroads, the Eric and North East Company met on the 14th of As the name implies, it is composed of selections from

road interests held at the Mausion House in Buffalo last 9, Brown's Hotel. work, in which the New York and Erie, Buffalo and State Line, Dunkirk and State Line, and Eric and North the Pennsyleunian when it says there is good sense East Railroad were informally represented, a desire was enough in the United States to reject the proposition of expressed by the different Eastern Railroad interests to the Erie and North Last railroad would provide them a

Resolvad. That the Brie and North East Railroad Company will release the Dankirk and State Line Retiroad are approaching the aristocrack of Europe feet enough lay down both the six and four feet eight and schalf inch | President and W. B. King 27 for Vice President. Gen. without creating new titles and privileges. We trust gauge over said road if desired by said Dunkirk and State Line and the New York and Erie Railroads companies, and extend equal privileges to the Dunkick and State kuk and State Line Company will meet the Eric and North East R R. Co. with a six foot gauge, and the Buffalo & State Line R. R. Co. with a four feet eight and a half inch sauge at the State line.

After the passage of the above, an authenticated copy from Mr McCaudless, adjourned sine die. was put into the hands of Mr. Courtright, then a Direct or, to present to the Eastern Componies interest d in i to learn whether it embodied the views of the informal they would or would not agree to it. It was taken to Mr. Loder, President of the New York & Erie R. R.

it has been destroyed. If these statements are not true, let Mesers. Loder and and then the truth will be known and the public mind

From these facts it appears that the railroad difficulties

door, our ore and coal to the furnace, our iron to the ca- ern roads imposes a break of gauge wherever they may nal and railroad depots, our grain to the mill, our pork most, and the simple question is: Who has a right to to the merchant-in a word how it "does up the the advantage of this break, if advantage there be? To hores" for the whole year. Blessed snow ! What meet at all, these roads must enter Erie county. She could we do without thee? Why tug and sweat from offered a free antrance to the four feet ten inch track November to April, as "them niggers" dewn South do, of Ohio, which was accepted; she offered as free entrance in prying cart wheels and waggen wheels out of mud to both the four feet eight inches and six feet track of and tree roots, instead of gliding jollily along in our win- New York a free entrance for her six feet track, and she before the driving wind. Who cares! Give us that Erie-at the most capacious, accessible and safe harbor beaver coat, the shaggy mittens, and that warm meffler. of the whole lake region. But she resists, and ever will Get out the sleigh! Harness up the horses! There, resist every measure or proposition which looks to the give us the whip-crack ! jiugle, jingle, jingle ! hurrah! transfer of her natural advantages and the rights of Ponnsylvania, to the Ruit Road corporations of New York. The people of Eric county, while they are ready and willing to mete out even-handed justice to their neighbers, turn with indignation from the proposition to strangle, with suicidal hands, their own natural elements o presperity.

To force them to this crime, for crime it would be, the New York corporations have imposed the existing obstacles to rail read communication—they have imported into New York a small link of the Ohio gauge, interpeeing it between those of Pennsylvania and New York, and then creating four breaks where but one is necessary, viz: at Erie, at the State Line, at Dunkirk, and at Buffalo. They have done this with the hope that Peunsylvania weuld either be blind to her true posit ou or forced from itand permit heatile interests to ride over her own. Threatened new with the opposition of new reads, our neighbors find themselves fettered with the toils they would etrew around as: they are at our mercy, and if we restreet, a muddy street, it is entirely out of order for a main firm in our right position they must cast aside their bands and some freely to pur door.

But it is not alone their local inter county, have in charge. They are the border continue to

look out upon, to watch and welcome for Pennsylvania the commerce of these broad lakes, for Pennsylvania has reasonable expectations of a huge rail read child of her own, the Sanbary & Erie, whose natural haritage is the trade and commerce for which the harbor of Eric affords such facilities. In offering to the progeny of her neighbors equal advantages-a fair cumpetition on her oil-she has gone to the farthest extent of magnenimity and generosity; but, to give these fereigners superior advantages; to voluntarily cast her own rights and riches ever the border for their benefit, would be an unnetural

constructing the Harrisburg and Sunbury Railroad has her rights against all eneroschments, and to ask that ev- as we learn from the Harrisburg Telegraph; been allotery housest hearted citizen of Pennsylvania sustain her ed to Mesara, Lauman, Dangherty, Traverse and Barin both, against hostility from abroad or treachery at ours, in Company. They were altogether the lowest home, and she confidently relies upon the following brief bidders, taking it less than the estimate of the engineers. eletement of facts in justification of her course and the besides having taken \$250,000 of the stock of the company in payment for the work. It is understood that the After every other part of the world had been furnished, entire work will cost something ever a millen, and it is with railroads, the citizens of Chantauque county urged | believed it will be finished complete in less than two years on by citizens of this section, procured and organized a The line of the road commences opposite Harrisburg. company to build a road from Buffalo to the State Line. where it connects with the Beltimore and Cumberland there to connect with the Eric and North East road. In Vulley Railroads-it runs on the west side of the Seethe organization of this company Buffale was given a quehanna about eight miles, whence it crosses to Dauphvoice, but in true Buffala atyle, no sooner were the capi- in, hotween which point and Harrisburg there is already, talists of that city admitted to a participation, then they a Railroad connection on the east side of the river .monopelized the whole management, and took the con- From Dauphin it runs to Sunbury, along the eastern marconcern into their keeping. One would naturally sup- gin of the Sasquehanna, and there connects with the Erie pose that after they had got entire possession of the com- and Sunbury road, thus forming, when both are finishedpany, they would prosecute the work, but not so. They a direct and continuous railroad connection between Erle A did nothing for some months; and it the mean time, the and Baltimore. With such a prospect in view would Erie and North East company had put its work under not the citizens of Erie be the verriest asses in Christen-

> To Division of Texas -A division of Texas has been in agreation in that State for more than two years past. At the present time the advocates of division are ntainly in Eastern Texas, where several newspapers are culisted in the cause. We are informed by the Houston Telegraph, that the scheme is rapid'y gaining favor. and that it is even proposed to hold an extra session of the Legislature upon the subject. The Telegraph strennously opposes it, urging that if there should be a division of the State, as proposed, into Eastern and Western Texas, there would be great danger of the Western section becoming a free State, which the Telegraph thinks would much depreciate the value of slave propery in Eastern Texas. It is stated that the success atending the culture of sugar in Texas, has been such hat the country between the Trinity and Gaudalope givers is rapidly filling up with planters, and if the State remains united for some years longer, it will be pretty. well peopled with a slaveholding population. Here is another opening for the mistaken philanthropy of north-

OFFICIAL VOTE OF MICHIGAN -The following is the vote of this State as officially declared : Scott 33 860 7.237

82,936 Pierce's majority over Scott, 7,982, and over both Scott and Hele, 745. She whole vote of the State is very large, and shows a great increase over -1848, when it only amounted to 56,016. The majority for General

THE INVING GIFT. - We are indebted to the publishers, Messes. Phinney & Co., Buffalo, for a copy of this. beautiful and interesting gift book for the Holidays. July, 1859, and pased the following preamble and reso - the writings of Washington Irving, and beside the listrinsic merit of the selections themselves, it is beautifully Whereas, at an informal meeting of the different Rail- ... illustrated, and elegantly bound. It can be had at No.

PERSETLEMENT ELECTORAL COLLEGE .- This bedy met on the 1st instant, in the Senate Chamber of the Capifol far as practicable through Chantauque county -- provided son McCandless, President; and W. V. McKean, Sec. retary. Joseph McDonald being absent in consequence of diness, the vacancy was filled by the election of John C. O'Neill. The ballot for President and Vice President resulted as follows: Franklin Pierce had 27g votes for Patterson, Andrew Burke, and David Fister, were severally entrusted with the packages containing the result.

one for delivery at Washington, one for the Judge of the Eric, Dec. 18, 1832.

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Eric, Dec. 18, 1832. Line Companies in running over it. Provided the Dan- one for delivery at Washington, one for the Judge of the U. S. Court, and one to be mailed at Harrisburg. The THE subscriber, grateful to his friends and the satisfactory discharge of their duties, and a short speech

TP So Do WE .- One of our Democratic exchanges indulges in the following well-timed and pertinent siggestions in regard to appointments. We echo the sputiment and endorse the conclusious cordially:

"In dispensing the patronage, we trust that Gen. Pierce may remember the hard working Democracy -Heretofore it has been too often the case that the parlor politicians, who, like the lillies of the field, neither work nor spin, when the battle is won have been permitted to array themselves in all the power and glory of Selomon himself. To that mode of dispensing public pationage we stand opposed."

Religious Notice.

Right Rev. Dr. O'Connon, the Bishop of Pittsburgh, will deliver a lecture in St. Patrick's Church to-morrow (Sunday.) at 74 o'clock, P. M. The citizens are respectfully invited to attend.

The consecration of St. Mary's Cametery will take place the same day at 3 o'clock, P. M. A collection will be taken up on the grounds, for ernamenting the Come-

MARRIED.

In Erie, Dec. 1st by Rev. J. W. Lawe, Mr. James PARKER and Miss DIPLOMA LASURE. In Edinboro, on the 14th inst. by the Rev. E W. Beebe, Mr. J. C. FREELAND and Miss MATILDA F. BROWS, all of Crawford.co.

In San Francisco, California, Nov. 14th, by Rev. A Williams, Mr. H. J. CLATTOR, formerly of St. Louis. and Mrs. MARY A. VINCENT, formerly of Waterford,

DIED.

At Savona, Steuben Co. N. Y., on the 9th inst., in 79th year of her ago, Mrs. SARAH M. ELIVER, late Mrs. Sarah Faulkner, relict of Dr. James Faulkner, dec. In Millereck, on the 9th met., Joun B., infant con of Henry and Emily J. Shattuck, aged I year, 5 months

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