

We trust our Marietta friends will not become too much excited over the "Cecilia" affair. We are not musical, and therefore cannot understand all the terms...

From Spain.—Since the fall of Saragossa nothing of particular note in politics had occurred, and the new order of affairs appears to be securely established for the present.

VERMONT ELECTION.—The recent election in Vermont resulted in the Republicans carrying the State, by a majority of 20,000 to 25,000.

The Water-Cure Journal recommends the following practice as sure to cure the worst case of hiccup in less than two minutes.

EXHIBITION OF THE U. S. AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.—The exhibition for this year will be held at Philadelphia, commencing on Tuesday, October 7th, and continue five days.

FLUTE'S communication was unavoidably crowded out this week; will appear in our next.

LITERARY NOTICES.

The Pictorial Cyclopaedia of Biography, No. 5, and S, embracing a series of original memoirs of the most distinguished persons of all times, edited by Rev. Dr. Hawks of New York, is on our table, and justifies us in recommending it warmly to our readers.

We have also received from the same enterprising firm, Nos. 7, and 8 of The Republican Court, or American Society in the days of Washington, by Rufus W. Griswold.

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Porter's "Spirit of the Times."—W. T. Porter, Esq., for many years the presiding genius over the columns of the New York Spirit of the Times, the only sporting newspaper in this country, will issue during the first week of September, a weekly sporting and literary newspaper, under the above title.

CHAIN GANGS.—We perceive that our Richmond, Va., neighbors are attempting the experiment of a "chain gang," as a mode of municipal punishment.

CURIOUS LEGAL DECISION.—There has lately occurred in Germany, before a Rhinish court, a trial in which the judgment finally delivered on appeal would seem to conflict literally, if not essentially, with the old common law maxim that a landholder owns from the soil upwards.

A man possessed some nut trees, of which the branches hung over the ground of a neighbor, who picked up the ripe nuts that fell from the tree, and also broke some of the branches.

THE NEW STATISTICAL BUREAU.—We are glad to learn, says the National Intelligencer, that the Statistical Office in the State Department, lately authorized by Congress, is now permanently organized.

LET THE CHILDREN SING.—The editor of the American Magazine, in speaking of vocal music, says:

"All children can learn to sing if they commence in season. In Germany every child is taught to use its voice while young in their schools, all join in singing, as a regular exercise, as much as they attend to the study of geography; and in their churches singing is not confined to the choir, that sits apart from the others, perhaps in one corner of the house, but there is a vast tide of that incense going forth to God from every heart that can give utterance to this language from the soul.

LIBERATION OF TWELVE SLAVES.—Catharine Smoot, of Jefferson county, Kentucky, widow of Alexander Smoot, who died in 1847, was a passenger on the mail boat from Louisville to this city, with eleven slaves, whom she proposes to emancipate.

PRISON ITEMS.—The following statement exhibits the business, &c., at our County Prison for August.—Cash received for Carpet sold, \$833,751; Carpet wove for customers, \$230,794; Bags, \$152,02; Segars, \$96,26; Baskets, \$36,02; Fish Nets, \$42,75; Pantaloonry, \$151,14; Boots and Shoes, \$50,621. Total, \$1,591,361.

SANDWICH ISLANDS.—King Kamehameha was married at Honolulu on the 19th June, to Miss Emma Rooke, daughter of Dr. T. C. B. Rooke.

TWO KINDS OF DISUNIONISTS DEFINED BY HENRY CLAY.—At the Union Mass Meeting, held at West Chester, N. Y., Jan. 30th, 1851, a letter from Henry Clay was read, in which he said, that "two classes of disunionists threaten our country; one is that which is open and undisguised in favor of separation—the other is that which, disowning a desire of dissolution of the Union, adopts a course and contends for measures and principles, which must inevitably lead to that calamitous result."

John and County Matters.

CORNER STONE.—The corner stone of the Columbia Public Ground Company's School House, near the Cemetery, was laid on Tuesday morning last, by J. W. Fisher, Esq., in the presence of a few spectators.

On the evening of the same day, the Board of Directors held a meeting at the office of John Cooper, Esq., at which Col. D. H. Green was elected President, Amos S. Hren, Secretary, and George Bogle, Treasurer and Superintendent of construction of the work.

COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT.—Rev. J. S. Crumbrugh, of Lancaster, has been appointed County Superintendent of Common Schools, vice J. P. Wickersham, Esq., who resigned the situation, having accepted that of Principal of the Millersville Normal School.

REMOVAL.—Attention is invited to the card of Mr. J. Dellinger, of Lancaster, Pa., who has removed his Daguerreotype and Ambrotype Gallery to the north-west corner of North Queen street and Centre Square, second story.

CHANGE.—Mr. T. J. Kueh has purchased the store lately kept by Mr. Benj. Herr, in Leuport street, opposite the Franklin House, as will be seen on reference to our advertising columns, and will always be found at his post ready to supply the public with dry goods, groceries, &c., at the lowest cash prices.

"Dan Rice's Great Show," will exhibit in this place on next Saturday, 13th instant. The press everywhere on this exhibition has traveled speaks of it in terms of the most decided commendation.

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Articles manufactured—3,275 yards carpet wove; 39,000 half-Spanish segars made, 800 yards bagging and 450 yards shirting wove; 218 baskets made; 16 dozen grain hogs made; 98 fish nets knitt; besides several thousands pounds carpet rags cut and sewed.

Mr. Editor—Permit me through your columns, to call attention to a matter in which our people should manifest more interest than is now evident. I refer to the keeping of our cemeteries free from the growth of bushes and noxious weeds.

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EDITORIAL GLEANINGS. The Colonies of the South Pacific are fast becoming of importance in the world. Australia was a large and flourishing colony before the discovery of the gold mines there; but that event has given a wonderful stimulus to its progress.

THE EARTH A GRAVEYARD.—Scientists writers assert that the number of persons who existed since the beginning of time amounts to 36,627,843,288,075,845.

DELAWARE PEACH CROP.—The Delaware peach crop is a very light one this year. The Wilmington Gazette says: "We understand there will be from 16,000 to 20,000 baskets to market from Appoquinimink Creek, in which region more than 100,000 baskets were yielded last year."

THE CHARTER OAK AGAIN.—The interest felt all over the country, in the old Charter Oak of Connecticut, is evidenced in the fact that the same morning the tree fell, there were applications to Mr. Stuart, from residents of Texas, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, (the President of Jefferson College in that), Minnesota (for the Historical Society in that Territory), for fragments of the tree, to be preserved as sacred relics.

NEW MATERIAL FOR PAPER.—The Cleveland (Ohio) Plaindealer, says: The Plant brought down from Lake Superior a thousand pounds of moss for Dr. Terly, of Detroit, who has been making experiments upon it in the manufacture of paper.

A HENRIC ACT.—A day or two since, as the express train on the Buffalo, Corning and New York railroad was approaching Batavia, in its usual high rate of speed, the engineer, Mr. Berry Houghland, discovered a man walking on the track.

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BY TELEGRAPH. Telegraphic operators occasionally have some rather singular messages brought to them for transmission. The following is a copy of one handed into the Telegraph office in Utica to be forwarded:

TO GEORGE.— Third epistle of John, 13th and 14th verses. (Signed) Julia—

CLERGYMEN AND POLITICS.—The venerable Bishop Meade, of Virginia, has addressed a letter to the Protestant Churchman, in which he discourages any active participation in politics on the part of ministers of the Gospel.

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COLUMBIA LUMBER MARKET.

Table with columns for material type and price per unit. Includes items like Common Cull Boards & Grub Plank, Culling, 2d Common, 1st Common, Panel, Hemlock Boards and Scantling, Pine Scantling, Plaster Lath, Shingles.

PHILADELPHIA MARKETS. FLOUR AND MEAL.—Firm ground flour from new wheat is held at \$63. Old stock and recently ground flour at \$64.

TO NERVOUS SUFFERERS.—A retired clergyman, restored to health in a few days, after many years of great nervous suffering, is anxious to make known the means of cure.

DR. SAMPORES INVIGORATOR is recommended to the public, relying upon its efficacy to secure it favor.

DR. ISAAC THOMPSON'S much celebrated EYE WATER.—It merits such an extended notice as it has obtained, and has cured many cases of the eyes, after having stood the test of over fifty years.

CHARACTER OAK ITEMS.—On the night of the fall of the brave old oak at Hartford, says the Hartford Times, Mr. Stuart, the proprietor, was engaged till midnight in writing his last chapter of its history.

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Remember the Large Auction Sale AT CARPET HALL THIS AFTERNOON. THE GOODS will be well arranged and may be examined before the commencement of sale. LINDSAY & JACKSON. Columbus Sept 6 1856