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Our Legislators at Harrisburg. We copy the following appropriate and well timed remarks in reference to our Legislators from; the Philadelphia Ledger. There is a great deal of truth and sound doctrine in 'the comment, and we cannot refrain from giving our readers the benefit of it:

A contemporary declares that many of the present members of the Pennsylvania Legislature belonging to all parties, are shamefully incompetent; but attributes their election. by what seems at first a paradoxical assertion. to their utter obscurity as individuals. Our cotemporary, however, is not far wrong. There can be no question that the standard of public morality has been steadily declining, for many years, in the Legislature of this Commonwealth. We are not prepared to say, with our cotemporary, that the present Assembly is the worst we ever had : but certainly it is bad enough. Before it had been in session a month, charges of bribery were so openly made on its floor, that a committee of investij gation had to be appointed to investigate the subject. A legislature ought to be, like Cæsar's wife, above suspicion. When it becomes necessary to take notice officially of accusations like this, it may be considered estab-

lished that, whatever the committee report, there has been corruption somewhere. If we are to judge of the way in which political affairs are conducted, by the talk of politicians themselves, it is regarded no crime to bribe, provided, to use their own phraseology, they "cover up their tracks." When such language is employed, we may be sure there is secret guilt.

Much of the incompetency, profligacy and venality among our legislators is to be attributed to the fact that politics has sunk into a trade. Men now follow it for a livelihood, and not, as formerly, to enhance the public good. The time was and within the memory of many yet ling, when legislators were chosen like Cincinnatus, for their eminent public virtues. But now, as our cotemporary has observed, it is obscure men who are most often elected. Obscure we mean as individuals. Persons, unknown to their fellow-citizens generally, either as worthy, intelligent, public spirited, sagacious or humane.

But they are not obscure in the places, where by the degradation to which politics have sunk the wires are pulled which elect our representatives. Every grogshop knows them, every demagogue has their acquaintance, every venal seeker after office is in their interest. Or they ports are made, be continued from session to are known, nominally, as reformers, but really as old political hacks, who, by a sort of leapfrog, mount to power over the backs of the people. In a word, they are anything but obscure sumed, and the said reports and bills be proin the world of trickery, double-shuffling, and | ceeded with in the same manner as though f corruption, though obscure enough in the more nally acted upon at the session when presentelevated sphere of public virtue, patriotism, capacity and honesty.

To a certain extent, nevertheless, it is the fault of the people that such legislators are Congress, said decision shall be conclusive chosen. It is the difference of the public at and the said court shall not, at any subst large which enables aftful men to make a trade quent period, consider said claims unless such of politics. At the late special election for, State Senator, for example, but two-thirds of the rules of common law or chancery in suit the voters went to the polls: and the delinquents were about equally divided between the two parties. To ward meetings three-fourths of the electors never go at all. Is it a wonder that the management of public affairs falls into the hands it does? A merchant, who should neglect the details of his business, as citizens | a Chief Clerk, Assistant Clerk, and Messen

neglect the details of government, would soon ger. be ruined; and is it surprising, therefore, that

Claims against the U. States. The following is a synopsis of the bill for the reation of a Court to adjudicate claims against the Government, as it passed both branches of Congress and received the signature of the President. This is an excellent measure, and will be a great relief to the honest claimants, against the Government : Be it enacted, &c. That a court shall be es

tablished called a court of claims, to consist of three judges, to be appointed by the Presi-dent, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, and to hold their officers during good behaviour; and the said court shall hear d determine all claims founded upon any contract, express or implied, with the Govern ment of the United States, which may be sug-gested to it by a petition filed therein; and al-so all claims which may be referred to said

court by either House of Congress. It shall be the duty of the claimant in all cases to set forth a full statement of the claim, and of the action thereon in Congress, or by any of the Departments, if such action has been had : specifying also what person or persons are owners thereof or interested therein, and when and upon what consideration such person or persons became so interested. Each of the said judges shall receive a compensation of four thousand dollars per annum, payable quarterly, from the Treasury of the United States, and shall take an oath to support the Constitution of the United States and discharge the duties of his office faithfully.

Sec. 2. Provides for the appointment of a Solicitor to represent the U. S. Government in said Court. Sec. 3. Authorizes the Court to establish

rules and regulations, to appoint Commissioners to take testimony, &c.

Sec. 4, 5 and 6. Relate to the mode of taking testimony, and prescribe penalties for false swearing. Sec. 7. And be it further enacted, That

Simon Cameron, of Dauphin, C. R. Buckalew, of Columbia, J. Pringle Jones, of Reading, David Williams, of Allegheny James Veech, of Faystle, H. M. Fuller, of Luzerne, Emith Fuller, of Faystle, Geo. Chambers, of Franklin, Jeremiah S. Black, of Somers O. H. Tiffany, of Cavilyle. said court shall keep a record of their proceed-ings, and shall, at the commencement of each session of Congress, and at the commencement of each month during the session of Congress, O. H. Tiffany, of Car report to Congress the cases upon which they shall have finally acted, stating in each the Theo... John C. Kunne., Thad. Stevens, of Lancasov Gideon J. Ball, of Erle, Wm. H. Irwin, of Miffiln, John W. Howe, of Crawfor Torrad, of Phils material facts which they find established by the evidence, with their opinion in the case, and the reason upon which such opinion is founded. Any judge who may dissent from

the opinion of the majority shall append his E. Joy Morris, of Philada., John S. Littell, of Fhilada., reasons for such dissent to the report; and such report, together with the briefs of the solicitor and of the claimant, which shall ac-Joseph Buffington, of Armstrong John S. Brady, of Greene, John J. Pearson, of Dauphin, Wm. Larimer, jr., of Allegheny, company the report upon being made to either House of Congress, shall be printed in the same manner as other public documents. And said court shall prepare a bill or bills in

Necessary to a choice those cases which shall have received the favorable decision thereof, in such form as, if enacted, will carry the same into effect. And ballot was a follows: two or more cases may be embraced in the

same bill, where the separate amount propsed to be allowed in each case shall be less than one thousand dollars. And the said court shall transmit with said reports the testimony in each case, whether the same shall receive the favorable or adverse action of said court.

Sec. 8. And be it further enacted, That said reports, and the bills reported as aforesaid, shall, if not finally acted upon during the session of Congress to which the said reession, and from Congress to Congress, until the remainder be finally acted upon, and the consideration of said reports and bills shall, at

Sec. 9. And be it further enacted. That the claims reported upon adversely shall be placed upon the Calender when reported, and if the decision of said court shall be confirmed by reason shall be presented to said court as, by between individuals, would furnish sufficient ground for granting a new trial. Sec. 10. Requires the Speaker of the House

to provide rooms in the Capitol or elsewhere the accommodation of the Court. Sec. 11. Empowers the Court to call unor the Departments for information or papers in

their possession, and authorizes it to appoint

Correspondence of the North American. motion for a meeting to-morrow; the yeas and From Harrisburg. The Senatorial Question-Five Ineffectual Bal lots-A Tabu lar Statement of them_The first Ballot in detail-Changes in the two sequent—Motions to adjourn to different - Votes on these motions—Fatal blunder days-of Ta neron's friends-Detailed Vote on the otion to adjourn until October-Regular Democrats who voted for Cameron's policy -Law bearing on Election of Senators dec. dec.

HARRISBURG, Feb. 27, 1855. The Senatorial contest was fought and set the denatorial contest was longle and set tled to-day, for this session; but settled only after the heaviest fight I have ever seen in the Legislative halls. Of the results you have al-ready been apprised, but of the details, which are both interesting and important, you are not informed. I cannot more profitably oc-cupy my usual space in the North American, than in statements of votes on this subject, a well as votes on collateral questions as on di-rect ballots for a Senator, that the people of

the State may become aware of the actual part their Representatives took in the conflict, and thus be able intelligently, to judge of its propriety or impropriety. At 12 o'clock, M., the Speaker and mem bers of the Senate were escorted to the Hall of the House, where seats had been prepared for them. The Speaker of the Senate being ex-officio President of the Joint Convention Speaker Hiester took the Chair of the

Speaker of the House. The Convention remained in session three hours, and had three ballots for a U. S. Senator, without effecting choice. Two ballots were taken on Tuesday the 13th-five in all: which, for convenien sake, I annex, all in a single table : BALLOIS 4th. 5th

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John W. Howe, of Crawford Robert T. Conrad, of Philada. James Todd, of Westmoreland, John W. Maynard, of Lycomin 130 130 130 181 b6 65 66 66 131

You have already published the particulars of the first two ballots. We will now exam-ine the last three. The voting on the third

ballot was a follows: For Simon Cameron-Messra. Crabb, Cresswell, Frazer, Fry, Haldeman, Hendricks, Höge, Killinger, Platt, Quiggle, Sellers and SKUMAN, of the Senate, and Messre Barry, Boal, Caldwell, Carlisle, Clover, Crawford, Criswell, Cum-mings, of Philadelphia co., Cummins, of Somerset, Donald-son, Eyster, Fletcher, Frailey, Free, GROSS, Guy, Haines, Hubbs, King, Kirkpatrick, Krepps, Lane, McConney, McConnel, Morrison, Mues, NORTH, Palmer, Resee, Ritten-house, Rutter, Sallade, Sherer, Smith of Allegheny, Smith of Blair, Stehley, Stockala, Sturderant, Weddell, Wood, Yorkes, Ziegler and Strong, (Speaker) of the House-55. For C. H. Buckalew-Missrs. Browne, Goodwin, Hamlin, Jamison, McClintock, Sager, Walton, Wherry and Hiester, (Speaker) of the Senute, and Messrs. Baker, Bush, Christ, Craig, Dougherty, Duoning, Edinger, Fry, Johnson, McClean, Maxwell, Orr, Thompson and Wright, of the Ward Denied, Lenze-Messra, Tarcart, of the Sonate

Nouse-23. For J. Pringle Jones-Messrs. Taggart, of the Senate, and Harrison, Linderman, and Mengle of the House--i. For David Wilmot-Messrs. Baidwin, Holcomb, Laporte, WCalmont, and Wickersham, of the House--5. For Thomas Williams-Messrs. Darsie, Frick, Price, and Skinner, of the Senate, and Chamberlin and WITMER, of the House-6. For James Veech-Messrs. Ferguson, of the Senate, and FRANKLIN, HERR, McCullough, and Page of the House

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For Henry M. Fuller-Mr. Morris, of the House-1.
For John C. Kunkel-Mr. Buckalew of the Senate-1.
For Thaddeus Stevens-Messrs. Mellinger, of the House-1.
For Thaddeus Stevens-Messrs. Mellinger, of the Senate, and Downing of the House-2.
For Wm. H. Irwin-Messrs. Lewis, of the Senate, and Hodgeon. Maddock and Pennypacker, of the House-4.
For John W. Howe-Messrs. Lott and Powell, of the Fourse-7.

For John W. Howe-Messys. Bott and Fowen, of the fouse-2. For Robert T. Conrad-Messys. Gwinner, Smith, (Philla-elphia city) Steel and Thorn of the House-4. For Jamess Todd-Mr. Fonst, of the House-4. For John W. Maynard-Messys. Jordan of the Senate, and Avery, Fearon, Leas and Lowe, of the House-5. For E. Joy Morris-Messys. Fratt of the Senate, and Wa-erhouse. of the House-2 For John S. Littell-Messys. Bowman and Simpson, of he House-2

For John S. Littell-Messrs. Bowman and Sunpson, of the House-2. For Joseph Buffington-Messrs. Ball, Clapp. Foster, Mc-Combs. Megill, and Stewart, of the House-6. For John S. Brady-Mr. Flenniken, of the Senste-1. The changes on this ballot from the last had on the 13th ware as follows: -In Senste, Mr. Flenniken from Veech to Brady: Messrs. Hoge, Piatt and Quiggle from Buckalew to Cameron; Mr. Lewis from Veech to Irwin; Mr. Mellidger from non-voting to Stevens, and Mr. Pratt from non-voting to Morris. In the House, Mr. Allegood from Cameron to non-voting; Mr. Bergstresser from Tiffany to Kuukel; Mr. Paramen from Cameron to Littel; Mr. Clapp from non-voto norvoing. Mr. Bergstresser from Tiffany to Kunkel, Mr. Bowman from Cameron to Littel; Mr. Clapp from non-vo-ting to Buthington Mr. Bowning from Wilmot to Stevens: Mr. Fearou from Cameron to Maynard; Mr. Foster from Cameron to Buffington: Mr. Foust from Jones to Todd, Mr. Gwinner from Baird to Conrad; Mr. Hodgson from Wilmot to Irwin; Mr. Lathrop from Wilmot to non-voling; Mr. Leas from Cameron to Maynard; Mr. Lott from Wilmot to Howe, Mr. Lowe from Chambers to Maynard; Mr.

Philadelphia Correspondence. nays were called, with this result-yeas 63, nays 66. The voting was substantially the same as on Mr. Dunning's previous motion The commencement season of our Medical Col-eges has arrived, and the anxious graduates ar

postpone, which was carried-yeas 60, nays Parties stood relatively on this question os, Aritries stood relatively on this duestion as on that. But the changes, were these. In Sencte, Mr. Flenniken changed from yea, to nay. In the House, Mr. Christ changed from yea to non voting; GROSS, changed from yea to nay, and Steel changed from may to non of that system, and the Pennsylvania and University, will soon follow with or four hondred more. A greater npm roting. Thus there were three changes from aye, reducing the ayes to 63, and two changes

to, and one loss from the nave, increasing hem to 66. The motion to meet to-morrow being thus

negatived, the question recurred on the mo-tion to adjourn over until the first Tuesday of e tipped with leather, and the shape very pe uliar. Quite a stormy debate took place in Coun October, which was agreed to, yeas 66, nays 65. This was the grand battle of the day, having been pressed carnestly by Cameron's opponents, and resisted as earnestly by his friends. The vote is worths of record and I The vote is worthy of record, and I append it.

append it. Yeas-Messrs. Browne, Buckalew, Darsis, Ferguson, Flenniken, Frick, Goodwin, Hamlin, Jamison, Jordon, Lew-is, Meilinger, Pratt, Price, Schlers, Skinner, Taggert, Wal-ton and Wherry of the Senate and Avery, Baker, Baldwin, Ball, Bergstresser, Bowman, Chamberin, Christ, Clapp, Edinger, Farton, Foster, FOust, FKANKLIN, Fry, Gwin-ner, Harrison, HERR, Hodgson, Holeomb, Hiubbs, Laporte, Leas, Linderman, Lott, Lowe, McCalmont, McClean, McCombs, McCullough, Maddock, Megil, Mangie, Morris, Orr, Page, Pennypacker, Powell, Simpson, Smith of Phila; Steel, Stewart, Thorn, Waterhouse, Wickersham, WITMER and Wright, of the House-bö.

Steel, Siewart, Thorn, Waterhouse, Wickersham, WITMER and Wright, of the House--66. Nays-Messre. Crabb, Cresswell, Frazier, Fry, Haldeman, Hendricks, Hoge, Killinger, McGlinkock, Piatt, Quiggle, Sayer, SHUMAN and Hiester, (Speaker) of the Senates and Allegood, Barry, Boal, Buh, Caldwell, Carlislie, Clover, Craig, Grawford, Criswell, Cummings, of Phila, Cummins, of Somerset, Dougherty, Douldson, Downing, Dunning, Eyster, Fletcher, Frailey, Free, 4BOSS, Guy, Haines, John-son, King, Kirkpatrick, Krepps, Lane, McConkey, McCon-nell, Maxwell, Morrison, Muse, NORTH, Palmer, Recess, Rittenhouse, Rutter, Sallade, Sherer, Smith, of Allegheny, Smith, of Blair, Stohley, Stockdale, Sturderant, Thomp-son, Weddell, Wood, Yorkes, Ziegler and Strong, (Speaker) of the House-65.

On this ballot, of those who had opposed a levied contributions upon a number of victims, an levied contributions upon a number of victims. Several persons have made very many narrow e capes from drowning, and only been rescued I the daring and skill of members of the Skater Club and the timely use of their reels and cords. re-considering to-morrow, Mr. Shuman voted nay, with Cameron's friends. Mr. Christ. who declined voting before, voted aye; Mr. GROSS voted nay; and Mr. Steel. who declined voting before, voted aye, showing a gain of four the nave, and a gain of two to the aves, which reduced the anti-Cameron majority from three to one !

Immediately after the result of the last balemoved from its old quarters in the Exchange, lot was announced, the president adjourned the convention, and the Senators retired to their The reason the motion to adjourn chamber. was not to adjourn sine die, was, that it was inderstood the president would decide such a motion to be out of order. Hence, the nacessity of moving to adjourn to a particular day. A remote day was fixed, and no one dream that the convention will be called together to

elect a Senator one week before a new Legis-lature are to be elected. Such a proceeding would not be sustained by public sentiment nd the adjournment may thus be considere as tantamount to a disposal of the question or the present Legislature.

There is a clause of the present law. from which some of Mr. Cameron's friends are draw ing a hope that they will yet have another op-portunity this session to elevate their favorite o a place he is not fit to fill ;-but very falla

"Whenever a vacancy, by resignation or otherwise, shall happen in the representation of this State in the Senate of the United States, the Legislature, if in session, shall, within ight days after being informed of the same by he Governor, proceed to supply such vacancy by an election, conducted herein before pre

cribed. This section cannot be construed to apply to eats becoming vacant by legislative laches; or to information from the Governor would be re quired. A vacancy by expiration of term is not required to be made known by the Gover for to the Legislature, which body is presumed o be acquainted with the terms of service o its officers. The notice spoken of in the sec-tion, to be given by the Governor, proves the imitation of the provision to such cases of va cancy as are alwaysmade known to the Legis lature through that functionary. The words "or otherwise" after "resignation," can there fore be considered only as a generality, to cover any possible vacancy of that description, and not to include a vacancy of an entirely different description. In addition, the previous sections of the law are devoted to directions for the meeting of the two Houses in Convention on the second Tuesday of February, and thereaf

ter at such times as they may adjourn to for the election of a Senator to fill that after "the expiration of the constitutional term of a Sen ator aforesaid ;" and this section was added so as to suggest the means by which a Senator s to be ed to fill a vacancy created other

building is 55 feet, from the apex of

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Late from California.

CITY AND COUNTY ITEMS

PHILADELPHIA, March 2, 185 Ball for the benefit of the Philharmonic Sociseparated by but a short bridge of time from the great event they have long been looking torward to with so much auxiety, the reception of their di-pionas. The commencement of the Philadelphia College has already taken place, the Homomathic ety, of this city will come off on to-morrow evening. The society, we understand, is in the present war has been particularly avoided, debt, and have taken this way of trying to li- yet the British have captured no less than nuidate it. The society is an ornament to our ity, and should be encouraged. None should College has manufactured some thirty-eight M. D.> fail to go.

19. The Philadelphia Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church will be held in the First M. E. Church, in this City, comical Students annually, graduate here than at any other City in the world, and the highest degree of mencing on Wednesday, the 28th inst. Bishop WAUGH, of Maryland, will preside, assisted by

excellence is attained by our Professors. Une of the most efficiency of the day con-nected with our municipal politics, is the grave question whether the Policemen shall or shall not Bishops JANES, of New York, and Scort, of Delaware. This Conference numbers over ear a new style of hat, the crown of which is to 200 ministers

CLARK'S FLOURING MILL .- This admirable ills on the subject, and many of the policemen protest against it most lustily as being too much of he livery style to suit the tastes of an American citizen. The Mayor, however, has fundly settled invention is attracting the attention of the public in an eminent degree. A company of gentlemen have purchased the Right for Lan-caster county, and Mr. A. W. RUSSEL; at the Hardware Store, in E. King street, is their Arent.' See advertisement in another column ie point in a very summary "no song, no supper" tyle, by announcing that those who decine wear-ng the hat, shall have no official head to wear it on, but shall at once be diminsed from the service. Quite an excitement was created here a short Agent. 'See advertisement in another column.

A Musical Convention will commence s sessions in this city to-day. The convenime since, among the checker-players by the ad-cent of a Scotchman said to be the best player in tion will be under the charge of Profs. A. N. Johnson and E. H. Frost, of Boston, and we ency in that game. He was quite an unassum ing sort of an individual, full of Scottish character-istics, and although considerable sums of money have no doubt from the ability of these gen-tleman, the proceedings will be very interestng. It will continue in session four days, and were won upon his game he scrupulously avoided betting himself. His career was broughtto a close during that time several Concerts will be giv-en by the above named gentlemen, assisted by hore by an engagement on his part to go to Buffa-lo, to play with him. His traveling and hotel er-penses all to be paid, and he to receive \$1 per day bounders. This is a buffar to be for Misses Smith and Whitehouse, also of Boston.

Mr. WOLFENBERGER gave notice in the besides. This is probably the first regular en-gagement at checker-playing ou record. The recent cold weather having frozen the Schuylkill and other streams, our skaters have been Mariettian of last week, that he would be pre-pared to supply the citizens of that Borough with fresh shad. This, we believe, is rather having a merry time gliding over them. So great was the crowd upon the ice that the pickpockets selected it for the scene of their operations, and early in the season for this delicious fish to nake its appearance in this part of the country.

LOOK OUT FOR THE "STARS."-The City Councils have adopted a resolution requiring the Police to wear a "star" with the Pennsyl the Skater's vania Coat-of-Arms engraved thereon. A lady was divorced here a short time since by the Councils were about reforming in this our Courts in the morning, and married the same evening to one of our leading actors. Our Post Office has recently been changed or matter, why did they not also require them to uniform themselves in a suit of blue.-

Again we say look out for the "Stars." a large Granite building in Dock street, belonging to Dr. Jayne, who, by the by, is one of the wealth-inst men nour city, being at least a millionaire Nearly all of his wealth was acquired in the patent GAP MINING COMPANY.-This Company have erected furnaces, and experiments have ty and seventy consorts. peen made in the smelting of Nickel ore.-

Mearly hill of hills wearing was acquired in the problem of the second story of the fine block of buildings in Chesnut street east of Seventh, destroyed some \$60,000 work of pdfPerty last light. Chesnut street seems particularly unfortunate. Within the last Jew years a number of very destructive fires have occurred upon it from Fifth up to Ninth street. The recent fire was upon the site formerly occupied as Barnum's Philadelphia Museum. The Gap mine is the only vein of Nickel ore known to exist in this country. This mine was discovered in 1732, and it was opened to some extent, but no discovery of mineral de posit was made. It was opened a second time in 1797, and sulphate of iron and copper were found, but it was found it would not pay the

uun. But a few months since a fire occurred at the N. W. cor-er of Firth and Chewnut streets, which destroyed a vasi expense of transportation, and the works were again abandoned. The old workings But a few months since a fire occurred at the N. W. cor-ner of Firth and Chesnut streets, which destroyed a vast amount of property. About eight months since nearlyths whole block from Ninth to Eighth, and back to George st., including Weish's Circus and the Chiness Museum, was burnt down; and but a few years since a very dustructive fire occurred at the corner of Sixth and Chesnut. The fire last alluded to, as well as several others, at, one time se-riously threatened to dustroy. Independence Hall, which is on the south Side of Chesnut between Fifth and Sixth. But when that sarred pile was menaced, with the derour-ing element, the citizens and firemen at once forces all ithin two or three years been re-opeued and a vein of Nickle ore has been discovered 22 eet wide, and 500 tons have been taken out. A Cornish numping engine has been put up o facilitate the operations of the company. A DISGRACEFUL AFFAIR.-On Saturday last

ing element, the citizens and firemen at once forgot al ther dangers, and all their energies were directed towards Mr. II. Ober's sale, in Penn township, a discurring its safety. (need the most starting and revolting features of social figheres its astorishing frequency of the erime of in-out the "Inclusion thing frequency of the erime of in-out the "Inclusion then columns of our dullier literally cent with report of such occurrences, and hundreds of assass are to noutly kept from the knowledge of the public. It some instances constantion are guilty of the network obviously the oden ters and brought to trial, but they are concally command to an invanished. The heurbance was raised which resulted in a mos lisgraceful fight. The combatants were young blood, of this place, named Kreider, and in old man, named Earhart, who resides in Penn township. From the different stories thoat, it is hard to judge how it was us generally permitted to go inputieshed. The case of the kind reported is that of a young girl fr ser county, who recently made a visit here to her r s, and delivered herself of a child, which she threw o on, but it was doubtless through the instiga-tion of King Alcohol, who is generally at the head of such shameful affairs, suffice it to say neither came off the victor. Earhart came to

t a second S¹ ry window into a yard, beinw. The physicia estitud that the child was born alive and had been kill y the fail. The innumn mother was too unvell to nuevod from her room, but a police officer has taken is quarters in the house, so as to prevent any attempt town with a considerable portion of his nose in his pocket, which was bitten off, and several The biffectors of the Girard College have recently made heir annual report, by which I learn that the Institution low contains 304 pupils, who are maintained and educa-ed out of the fund bequeathed for that purpose by Mr. itrad. The axpenses for the year were $\sharp T_1 AUC$. The pu-ils receive a finished education, and many of them after, and sappenticed to trades, or other occupations. Of the reseat pupils, 255 were born in Philadelphia, and 19 in ther narks of Penney Yania. eeth knocked out: and Kreider with two of hi fingers nearly severed from his hands, and his ose well marked. Earbart after getting his wound dressed entered suit against Kreider, who was arrested and held to bail for his appearance at court .--

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present pupils, 255 were born in Philadelphia, and 19 in other parts of Pennsylvania. Our policemen have been particularly attentive "to the dance houses lately. A few evenings since, they made a descent upon one, and arrested all the inmates, numbering sixty-five persons. Many of them are villainous dens of vice, and the scenes of orgice which disgrace humanity. You probably noticed an item of the late news from Cu-ba stating that two American engineers and drawn a prize of \$60,000 in the Havanna lottery. They were Philadel-phings who went out there a very segme leaving that from aus, who went out there a year ago, leaving their far niaus, who went out there a year ago, leaving their fami-ies here. One of them was a blacksmith, and the other a comotive engineer. They were married to twin ejsters ho received with joyful hearts, as you may well imagine, tters from them the other day announcing their good rtuns. They were not habitual dealers in lottery tickets, at one of them desired to purchase, simply exause he had a very strange dream. Of drawing a prize, d after considerabile difficulty succeeded in persuading is companion to share the expense. The blind god of for-me commits many strange freaks and this is one of them. Yours, **

way home, in the evening, I met one of my neighbors, dressed up as if he was going to

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CT Ex-Mayor KIEFFER has made a very fin

For the Intelligence

PETERS' CREEK, March 2d, 1855.

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oyd, Abner Brown, J. S. Webster, John

ndlay, Dr. J. B. Stubbs, Jos. C. Stubbs. W.

Hess, John Kauffman, Christian Kauffman

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and Isaac Towrer. There were some others, but I cannot remember their names. I can't

HORRIBLE DISCOVERY-TEN PERSONS PER-

HED ON THE PRAIRIES .- We are furnished

y a gentleman from Lafeyette, Ind., with the

etails of a rumor current in that city on Thurs

On the Saturday preceding the memorable torm of the 21st of January, two families,

numbering ten persons, moving from Southerr Indiana to Northern Illinois,arrived at Oxford

the county seat of Benton county, Ind., about forty miles northwest of Lafayette, with two

ox teams, and well provided with necessa-ries for the road. They remained there

resumed their journey. Last Tuesday morn

bodies of four children, and in the other the

nfant at her breast Under the snow was

leap of ashes, in which the iron of the wagons

showed that they had broken them up, and burned everything they had in them, in the effort to save their lives. Not far from this

pot mas found the body of the other woman

of the party, partly concealed in a snow drift

and near her one of the men. The two other

It is probable that the party became inex-

tricably involved in the snow drifts on the

burning up their wagons it appears that the men had killed two of the oxen for a shelter to

those found in them, and then, accompanie

by one woman, vainly endeavored to reach the

their companions. The two other oxen had wandered off. There was nothing about the

wn they had left, and procure aid to rescue

prairie, and lost their presence of mind. After

which filled him with horror.

men had not been found.

brief stay at Oxford.

day week, which fill the mind with horror,

iew of the sufferings of the party to whom

y. Here they are-DR. THOMPSON, President.

ciety.

Democrat.

Fruits of War.-Although the Russian commerce is by no means extensive, and exposure to the cruisers of the allied fleet during less than

All Sorts of Paragraph

ninety-two Russian prize vessels. The wine growers in Cincinnati are considering the propriety of petitioning Con-gress at its next session to pass a bill to encourage the cultivation of the grape, and the manufacture of wine in this country.

BEF There are in the State of Illinois, two thousand four hundred and thirty-six and a half miles of railroads, over which daily ar-rive and depart one hundred trains, fully loaded, either with passengers or freight.

Louis Napoleon is collecting his uncle's letters and writings. It is said that twenty volumes will hardly contain all the MSS. of the Emperor Napoleon. Many letters, &c., written by the Emperor, are in a text hardly legible—it is only with the greatest difficulty that the easiest words are made out.

A Chain-Gang Proposed .- The citizens of Pittsburg are petitioning the Legislature, for the privilege of establishing a chain-gang in that city. They say their jail is constantly crowded with a host of sturdy vagrants, who ought to be put at work, instead of being fed at the expense of the honest and industri portion of the community.

A Rich Pauper .- Several days ago a German made his appearance at the Northampton County Poor House, with his family of wife and three or four children, soliciting quarters during the winter. The directors thought the chest he brought with him was larger than the necessities of a pauper demanded, when they proceeded to examine it, and found that it contained seven hundred follars in money They very justly made the fellow pay board.

Brigham Young is building two large and beautiful houses adjoining that 'which he occupies now in Salt Lake City, to accommodate his increasing family. He now rejoice in between fitty and sixty wives, and forty-five to fifty children. Elder Kimball, one of the Mormon Apostles, has between six-

Railroads in California.-According to a report which appears in the Sacramento Jour-nal, the Sacramento Valley Railroad Co., which was chartered in the year 1852, has a capital of \$1,500,000, nearly all of which has been taken. The company has surveyed and leveled 360 miles of the line, 120 miles of which have been estimated upon, 104 miles actually located, 40 miles put un-der contract, of which half is to be finished in twelve months, and the rest in eighteen months.

Capitol of Ohio.-Ever since the commenceuent of the year 1838, the State of Ohio has been engaged in the business of erecting a capitol building at columbus. It is not yet finished, nor does there seem to be much prospect of its being soon. The money appropria-ted for it, since the commencement, amounts in the aggregate to \$606,575. When finished, it will be the most superb State House in the Union ; and so it ought to be, in view of its sost.

BEL It is said, says Life Illustrated, that James Gordon Bennet is not the sole proprie-ter of the New York Herald, and that he has not one dollar of levyable property in that city. His partners are said to be a leading firm of paper-makers who supply the paper of the establishment.

for Letters from Kansas state that there is not a milliner to be found in the Territory. Here's a chance for some of our young ladie to make their fortunes.

for Cattle are said to be dying of starvagor Ex-Mayor KIEFFER has made a very fine improvement on his dwelling house in E. King tireet, which is much admired. He has erected a second story. It reflects credit upon those who had the construction of it.

Western Virginia papers state that cattle in that section are positively dying for want of food. The great drought of last season has cut off hay, grass and other crops, and the country is too much cleared up to af ford browes for the stock. The snow has been deep, and remains long on the ground.

talk about Know-Nothings, and was very cur-ious to know what kind of a society it was One of the Birds. A grey eagle shot in Jefferson county, Val, measured betwen the ends of his wings seven feet two inches. while but could find nothing out about it. On my dying from the wound which brought him down he lifted a large dog from the ground meeting. I asked him if there was any nreach. with his bill. Hoorah for the Americ ing at the meeting house that night? He said

brought

public affairs have got to their present pass? The people have nobody to blame but them- if they please, to our advantage: selves, that Harrisburg is full of ignorant, corrupt, artful and hypocritical legislators : that, everybody believes, though nobody, perhaps can prove, that bribery is going on all the time: and that, if the Commonwealth is not disgraced-ruined it cannot be, thank God!it is because the community at large has too high a character for public virtue to be affect-

ed even by the acts of its agents.

The Bribery Investigation.

This investigation is likely to end in smoke, as it is next to impossible to draw the truth out of those who were subpoened before the Committee of Investigation. Many who were supposed to know something of the corrupt piece, we can't just now say which. It was made of a white metal, and was about the size influences alleged and believed to have been of a small wafer. We will cheerfully accept any genuine bank employed to influence the Senatorial election. were most inveterate know-nothings when bill or any piece of coin in payment of ar rearages. Who will forward them to us? brought on the witness stand; and, it is said, that several gentlemen whose personal acaugintance the committee would have been n Tuesday, amended and passed the bill from pleased to make, have had important business the House which provides that for letters go n other States just at this time, and, thereing less than 3000 miles the postage shall be fore, could not possibly return for the investithree cents, and over that distance it shall be gation ! In addition, a majority of the Committee seem to have a strong disposition to other countries shall prevent. The amendapply the whitewash brush to what has already transpired, as it was supposed they would at the time of their appointment; and, consequently, we think it altogether probable that the investigation will result in little show that they have been sent, but in no in or no substantial good. Indeed, it may result in harm ;---for it is possible that, by this result, innocent men may be made to suffer from pubconcurred in by the House. lic suspicion, whilst the guilty may escape soot free. That there has been gross bribery and corruption used in this Sentorial business, no one doubts who knows any thing of the character of certain parties implicated; but that it would exhibit itself so openly as to insure detection, is what we never believed.

The Senatorial Question.

Believing that it will be interesting to all of our readers, we have copied from the North American, a full account of the proceedings in the Legislature relative to the election of U. S. Senator-including the several ballots, er was born in Maryland, as was also his grand. shanges, &c. It will be seen that in the melee CAMERON has again been placed hors du be said of the editor of the Herald. combat, and that his doom is, to all intents and purposes, irrevocably sealed. The adjournment of the Convention over to the first Tuesday in October is, in the opinion of nearly every body, tantamount to a postponement of the question until the meeting of the next Legislature, as also to a shelving of CAMERON for all time to come, so far as Senatorial hon-

ors are concerned. The people, at the October election, will have an opportunity of passing upon his claims, and it is not difficult to predict the arch demagogue's fate before that tribunal.

The whole country breathes "freer deeper" since Tuesday last.

A Valuable Present.

We are indebted to the kindness friend, Col. John W. Forney, Clerk of the House of Representatives, at Washington, for a richly bound volume of Hickey's "Constitution of the U. States," a valuable and highly interesting work. The book contains in addition to the Constitution, the following important State papers, &c., viz :

The Declaration of Independence; The Articles of Confederation ; The Prominent Political Acts of George Washington; Electoral Votes for all the Presidents and Vice Presidents; The High Authorities and Civil Officers of Government from 1789 to 1847 ; Chronological Narrative of the several States, and other interesting matters ; with a Descriptive Account of the State Papers, Public Documents, &c., &c., at the seat of Government,

For The editor of the Easton Argus thus duns his delinquents. Ours may take the hint QUERY ?--- Can any of our delinquent sub

ribers inform us whether the banks continue Leas from Cameron to Maynard: Mr. Lott from Wilmot to Howe, Mr. Lowe from Chambers to Maynard: Mr. Mc-Combs from Wilmot to Buffington; Mr. Maddock from Ful-ler to Irwin/Mr. Megill from Jones to Buffington; Mr. Mengle from Cameron to Jones; Mr. Pennypacker from Wilmot to Ir-win; Mr. Powell from Williams tolhows: Mr. Ross from Wil-liams tonon-voting; Mr. Simpson from Jong's to Litteli; Mr. Smith,of Philadelphia, from Ball to Conrad; Mr. Steelfrom Cameron, to Conrad; Mr. Stewart from Bail to Buffington; Mr. Stockdale from Bucknew to Cameron; Mr. Steelfrom Baird to Courad; and Mr. Waterhouse from Cameron to Vooris to print their notes upon paper, with black ink? We have a vague and indistinct recollection, that in times past-ere we took upon ourselves the publication of a newspaperank bills were printed upon little strips of paper varying in size, with peculiar devices, and the denomination of the bill in figures at each end. We have recently felt a curiosity b know whether the same style and form are preserved at the present day.

PASSAGE OF THE POSTAGE BILL .-- The Senate

The Post Office Agent.

The Monthlies.

upon receipt of the money.

Who will en-In regard to the metalic currency, we have slight curiosity : but a more vivid recolled tion of their size, shape and color remains with us; for within the past year, if we recollect aright, we saw a gold dollar or a three cent

 Stockdale from Buckalew to Cameron; Mr. Thorn from Baird to Courad; and Mr. Waterhouse from Cameron to Morris.
Some of Cameron's friends were coulident of electing him on this ballot. But were surprised at the changes against him, It was in this view that Meesrs. Hoge, Platt, and Quiggle doubless agreed to bolt the regular Democratic nomination, and thus seal their political fate.
On the fourth ballot, the changes from the third were:-In the House, Mr. Allegood from Neech to Buffington.—In the House, Mr. Allegood from Neech to Buffington.—In the House, Mr. Allegood from town from Littell to Conrad; Mr. Chamberlin from Williams to Buffington; Mr. Fours from Todd to Conrad; Mr. Bowman from Littell to Conrad; Mr. Morris from Morris to Conrad; Mr. Simpson from Littell to Jones; Mr. Morris from Morris to Conrad; Mr. Simpson from Littell to Jones; Mr. Morris from Norris to Conrad; Mr. Simpson from Littell to Jones; Mr. Thorn from Gorard to Jones; Mr. Waterhouse, from Mylinams to Pearson; and Mr. Wood from Cameron to Aguinard. On this ballot Cameron lost two and gained one vote.
On the fifth ballot. In the House, from Williams to Buffington; Mr. Patt, from Morris to Conrad and Mr. Skinpson, from Jones to Buffington. In the House, from Mylinard to Buffington. In the Baldwin, from Williams to Maynard; Mr. Bowman, from Conrad to Littell; Mr. Sampson, from Jones to Littel, Mr. Steel, Irom Conrad to Littell; Mr. Stepson, from Jones to Littel, Mr. Steel, Irom Conrad to Littell; Mr. Simpson, from Conrad to Littell; Mr. Simpson, from Conrad to Littell; Mr. Simpson, from Jones to Hiths Jallot, Cameron gained one of the two votes he lost on the previous ballot.
On the 13th, the absentees were Meesrs. Mellinger, of the Senate, and Clapp, of the House; and there was a vacancy in the Senate. On the 27th, Mr. Allegood was absent on on the first ballot, but present on the second and third taken on that day, and Meesrs. Lathrop, of Suequehanance on the away. Meesrs. Lat five cents, except where postal treaties with

the dome to the ground 100 feet, from nent further provides that, after the 1st Janthe flag to the ground, 135 feet. The dom lary, 1856, all letters shall be pre-paid, and is so constructed as to form a whispering hat done with stamps: also, that letters Between the second and third ballots there gallery which will be one of the greatest containing money can be registered, so as to curiosities of the Exhibition. The ground was an active contest, of which the votes deserve a record. After the result of the fourth stance to make the department responsible for had been announced, Mr. McCombs moved them. The amendment must, of course. be that the Convention adjourn to meet on the concurred in by the House.

ment "until this afternoon at 4 o'clock." Mr. Johnson moved an additional amendment

Some days ago the editor of the Herald as serted that the Hon. JAMES-CAMPBELL had ap-Morris then moved an amendment to adjourn pointed a foreigner, by the name of PATRICK until the second Tuesday of October next. M'GUIRE. as a secret agent of the Post Office | The Cameron men did not wish a direct vote Department, and that he was a Roman Cathoon the adjournment, which the anti-Cameron We should have noticed this matter at men desired should be taken, as they felt they

might carry it. Mr. Dunning, a disguised Cameronian the time, but overlooked it. Mr. M'GUIRE was first appointed by President FILLMORE to therfore moved to postpone the motion, with its amendments, and proceed to a fifth ballot. Mr. Smith, of Philadelphia, anxious to be rid this post, and because he was found a most excellent and trustworthy officer, Mr. CAMPBELL of the motion to postpone, and to get a direct vote on adjournment, called the previous quesretained him. He is no foreigner. His fath tion, which was however lost by a tie vote father, and this is more, probably, than can yeas 65, nays 65. On this vote the following persons who had previously voted against Cameron, on the direct ballotings, voted to sustain the tactics of his especial friends. In We have watched these sly and malici insinuations made by the editor of the Herald against Mr. CAMPBELL, to keep alive that spirit the Senate, Messrs Flenniken, McClintock f religious intolerance which has been of lat and Sager. In the House, Messre, Bush Christ, Craig, Dougherty, Downing, Dunning, Johnson, Maxwell, Thompson, Waterhouse, engendered in this country, and been astonish ed to see with what recklessness the editor pe and Wood. The following who had previous verts the truth. He is a worthy desciple of "Sam," and is admirably fitted to carry out the ly voted for Cameron, voted against the tics: In the Senate, Messrs. Sellers and SHU-MAN. In the House, Messes. Hubbs and principles of the order—deception and hypocri-sy.—Dem. Union.

Morrison ; showing a gain of 14 to Cameron and a loss of 4—a clear gain of 10; raising hisstrength from 55 to 65; and in consequence "YANELE NOTIONS.—This humorous monthly continues in its career of prosperity. The March number is a capital one. The illustrations are rich in the extreme, and the reading matter such as cannot fail to produce a hearty laugh in every circle where the number appears. Those of Mr. Speaker Hiester declining to vote, re-ducing the opposition of 76 to 65. The pre-vious question having failed, the question rewho desire fun, wit and humor, would do well to subscrit for the "Notions." Published by T. W. STRONG, 93 Nation Start, N. N. Price 12% cents per number, or \$1.25-unum. surred on the motion to adjourn, with its mendments, and to proceed to another ballot -yeas 66, nays 65-Mr. hich was agreed to A THRILLING NOVEL .-- T. B. PETERSON, No 102 Speaker Hiester on this occasion voting with

Chesnut St. Philadelphia, has in press, which will shortly be published, a new work entitled "Kare AYLESFORD, A STORY OF THE REFUGES." The Ir. Csmeron's friends. The fifth ballot was then taken, with the result heretofore stated. After the anounce-ment by the President of the vote, Mr. Browne, work will be complete in one large volume, neatly bound in cluth, for \$1, 25; or in two vol-umes, paper covers, for \$2. The book will be of Philadelphia, moved the Convention ad-journ until the first Tuesday of October next. published on the 24th inst., and is very highly spoken of by the Editors of the Sunday Mercury, Dollar News and Public Ledger, all of whom have read the work in work of the spoken states of the spoken states of the spoken states of the spoken spoken spoken states of the spoken spok Mr Haldeman moved to amend by substitu ting that when this Convention adjourns, i Dollar News and Public Leager, an of whom have read the work in proof-sheets. Copies of either edition of the work, will be for-warded by mail, free of postage, to any address, will adjourn to meet to-morrow at 11 o'clock He called the previous question on his motion which was sustained, yeas 108, nave 22, which out off amendment and debate on either Mr. We are indebted to our excellent friend. Browne's motion or Mr. Haldeman's substi-Dr. N. B. Wolfe, of St. Jacobs, Canada West, for the present of a beautiful Smoking Cap, tute. The anti-Cameron men quickly per-ceived Mr. Haldeman's parliamentary blunder f Indian manufacture, received throug and took advantage of it, as it served precise-y the purpose in which they had failed in the struggle between the fourth and fifth bal-Adams' Express. The one intended for Chie Justice LEWIS will be handed to that gentleman by the first opportunity, who, we doubt ringing up for direct vote the propoiots. of

not, will be highly gratified at its reception. sition to adjourn over. Mr. Cameron's friends did not see their mistake for some time, and Congress adjourned sine die on Sunday at not until they were entrapped in the foils they On Mr. Haldeman's imously. had intended for others.

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Arrival of the Daniel Webster at New Orleans wise than by "the expiration of the constitu tional term;" that is, by resignation or oth-erwise, of a Senator during his "constitutional NEW ORLEANS Feb 28

Daniel Webster, from San The steamship uan, arrived to-day, bringing dates from Cal-No such case exists now; and there can be no reconvening of the Convention to elect a successor to Mr. Cooper before the first ornia to the 9th inst., brought down by the told him teamer Cortez. thing, but I didn't know how they were The Cortez had on board \$500,000 in specie

Tuesday of October. An examination of the law will satisfy any one that the construction nd 170 passengers, 32 of whom came on in the Daniel Webster. The steamship Star of the West sailed from lessly, asked me whether any of my grand-pa rents were Catholics, or whether either of my

A GREAT AFFAIR .--- They are, the ad an Juan on the 23d inst, for New York. The news from California possesses but fittle vertisements say, to have a great affair at nterest.

Doylestown, shortly, or some time in '55-Forty-four ballots had been had in the State a sort of Cattle show-baby show-picture Legislature for a U. S. Senator, without a show-and a show of all sorts, at which pice. A meeting of native Cailfornians was held

on the 7th, to take measures for a wholesale "all the world and the rest of mankind" migration to Sonora, to escape the heavy tax-s and oppressions under which they labor. are expected as visitors. The Democrat The miners are suffering much for want of "We were favored last week, with a sight

The Kerr river mines have proved very exf the plans of the grounds, buildings, &c. ensive. The yield of gold is fair, and thousof the plans of the coming Exhibition, drawn inds are flocking thither y Joseph D. Koecker, Esq., of Philadel

Bacon & Co.'s shipment by the Cortes Page, hia, Architect, and we have rarely seen vas \$285,000. There is a better feeling in some classes of nything more appropriate or beautiful.-

roods, and especially in provisions, but the in-The race course is circular, beautifully laid rior demand is light, and there are no cash out and ornamented, and enclosing the ales. building, which is a succession of arches

FROM CENTRAL AMERICA.-Gen. Chamorro surmounted by a heavy dome in the centre as achieved important advantages over Casand surrounded by minarets, containing spiral staircases. The height of the main

The Isthmus continues healthy.

Foreign and Domestic News.

The Texas Creditors bill has been signed party. President Pierce. On the 22d ult. minated Winfield Scott as Lieutenant Gen rul, and the Senate has confirmed it.

will be broke as soon as possible and the Governor Pollock has signed the Sunday liquor law just passed by the Legislature. In the latter body, on Thursday, the Senate adopted charters for the Stroudsburg Bank and the Lebanon Valley Bank. The House work commenced, as the Architect is now The following bill, authorizing parties passed bills incorporating the City Bank of Philadelphia, the Bank of Pottstown, and the to contract for a greater rate of interest than six per cent., has been reported to the Legis-Allentown Bank, and directing the city cor lature, by Mr. NORTH, from the Judiciary poration of Philadelphia to purchase the chuylkill Falls Bridge, at such valuation as may be made by a jury of view, approved by SEC. 1. That from and after the passage of the Court. this act, it shall be lawful for any person of

. In Congress, on Thursday, the Senate passed makin her agreements or contracts. to contract o Mr. Underwood's resolutions of the last session by agreement bind or to be bound to any rat relative to religious liberty of Americans in terest that the parties to such contrac oreign countries. They recommend that may conclude upon between themselves our future treaties we should secure the right ided, That no contract for a greater rate of worship and sepulture. The Senate deba-ted at some length the tariff amendment to the of interest than six per cent, shall be bindin or have any legal effect for a longer perio than one year from the making and conclu General Appropriation bill. The House passed eight private bills and a bill to amend the act condlu ding of such agreement. SEC. 2. That from and after the passage of this act, the legal rate of interest shall re-main as heretofore, and that no open accounts carrying into effect the reciprocity treaty The steamer St. Louis arrived at New York

on Thursday, from Southampton, with news from Europe several days later, and Mr. Soule judgment or mortgage shall carry a great s passenger, with his family. He gives it a rate of interest than six per cent. per annum. s opinion that Cuban annexation is at an SEC. 3. That all laws inconsistent with There is nothing new from Sebastopo Lord John Russell has gone to Vienna, as the

> ndia has arrived at the Isthmus of Suez. An insurrection has broken out at Cabool, and the ebels have, at Candahar, acknowledged the uzerainty of Persia. They were besieging Bendu Cebasi with 12,000 troops. A mur derous conflict had taken place there, but the besieged maintained their resistance. Twothirds of the Turkish army from Varna hav lisembarked at Eupatoria. The Czar of Russia has authorized a levy en masse, and pro poses to send 300,000 men into the Crimea. The steamer Canada has arrived at Halifay nd brings still later European news. The Russians at Sebastopol have recommence Lewis their night sorties. In one on the 31st, 300 French were put hors du combat, having fired There is a rumor u each other in mistake. that Lord Raglan and the Earl of Lucan will shortly be recalled. A division of the French army, at Sebastopol, into commands, is an nounced, General Bosquet being at the head of one and General Pelisser at the other, thus

e gal-Mr. Phillips, has been settled by the payment in a similar strain, and at the conclusion of his remarks offered a joint resolution accepting the sword, and thanking the family of the late of \$2000 as an indemnity, and the repriman

land and on the Continent

Anti-Know-Nothing Victory .- At an elecno, but that they had made up a new society, tion held in Burlington, Iowa, on the 5th, Silas A. Hudson was elected Mayor, over L. D, or that they intended getting up a new society for the protection of American Interests. Stoston, Know-Nothing, by 119 majority.-Eight Aldermen, and the City Recorder, Trea-I thought it would be a very goo to get at it exactly. He laughed, and said that was all fixed. He then, kind of caresurer and Marshal, opposed to Know-Nothing ism, were also elected

A Lovely Place.-In the counties of Sono ra aud San Francisco, California, fivehundred murders have been committed in the last five amilies had always been Seceders. He then years, and only three murderers have been said that next week he would call and take me along to the society. We then parted, and I thought a good deal about the matter, but hung under judical sentences. What an ac quisition Mat. Ward would be to that commuiity. it last made up my mind to go with him when

New Orleans in Dunger of an Overflow.he came. About a week after he came and I went with him. We first went to my friend when the Spring rains begin to descend the Potects new house, but none of the members vere there; we then went to Temperance Hall, mmense quantity of snow which has faller on the upper Mississippi and its numberless tributaries shall have melted, the city will be and found that the meeting was to be held there. Along with two or three of my neighbors and a few young men that I didn't know, we were put into a little room, and very soon in danger of an overflow. It was some five or six years ago, we believe, that the levee which protects the city gave way, and a large portion of the town was inundated. The damage to after a person came in and asked our names. where we were born, &c. I thought it strange, but said nothing. We were then taken into a room, and I saw directly that it was a Knowproperty was immense, and the recollection of ow makes the inhabitants apprehensiv Nothing meeting. What transpired there, I am not going to tell, because I dare not, they lest they should be overtaken by a similar dis aster. swore me too hard; but I dare say, that I, as

Severe Shock of an Earthquake.-On the night of the 13th ult. two distinct shocks of an honest man and a good citizen, cannot belong to such a society for the "protection of American Interests." I have always been a an earthquake, accompanied by a heavy rum bling noise, resembling distant thunder or good Democrat, and I intend to be. I saw heavy canonading, were experienced at Kinderhook and Stuyvesant Falls, New York. It is said they were sufficiently severe to shake nly a half dozen there who called themselves Democrats, and they belonged to Frazer's party. When I got out of the room, I made a vow never to go in it again, because I thought e houses and produce considerable consternation among the crockeryware. The next morn-ing the ground was discovered to have opent was not honest thus to draw a man into any thing in the way I was taken in. What traned, in several places, two or three inches in spired there, as I before said, I don't think I vidth. can tell; but after cheating me, I think I can tell who were the officers and the most active

Helen Dhu who wrote "Stanhope Burleigh," Helen Dhu who wrote "Stanhope Burleigh," the Know Nothing novel. He is getting up the new life of Sam, Houston.

nor The dwelling house occupied by Col. BENTON, in Washington, D. C., was destroyed by fire on Wednesday last. Col. Benton lost a great many valuable papers and books, but he furniture was saved without much dam age being done to it.

Res. A fire took place on Monday week in the Cotton Mill at Harrisburg, which did a good deal of injury to the machinery, and a write very well; will you please to correct this efore you publish it, and oblige an old line good deal of injury to the machinery, and a large number of bales of Cotton were destroy-This fire will throw out of employment or some time several hundred operatives, who re dependent upon this establishment their support. It is not known how the fire originated.

Conviction and Imprisonment of Lottery Dealers.—The trial of the managers of the great Catasauqua Lottery was concluded at on Wednesday week with a llentown, Pa verdict of guilty against the defendants. Nathan Frederic was fined \$6000, and costs of prosecution, and to stand committed until the ntence be complied with ; and William Gross fined \$3000, with costs, and to be committed until the fine be paid. Both were committed in default of navment.

through the storm, and on Monday morning Splendid Rifle Shooting.-The Natchez Miss.) Free Trader of the 9th ult. says:-ing a man passing over a prairie, only about five miles from Oxford, came upon a sight The best rifle shooting we have ever seen, we saw made on Tuesday last, by Mr. H. J. Newcomb, of this city, with a rifle of his own The earcases of two oxen, from which the make, and with an improvement invented by viscera had been removed, lay upon the ground. Inside of one of them were the frozen himself. At the distance of two hundred and twenty yards, Mr. Newcomb placed five successive balls within the circle of which the rafrozen corpse of the mother, with a nursing dius was less than an inch.

> BUCHANAN RELIEF FUND .- The Annual Report of the Committee on the Buchanan Relief Fund, made to Councils at their last meeting, exhibits the following : In Treasury, January 1, 1854, \$19 00 Amount of appropriation, interest, 240 00 -\$ 256 00

Which was expended as tollows. < \$177 18+ 39 121 28 00 8 00 5 00 " Clerking, &c. \$ 257 31

Leaving a balance in Treasury, at date, 1684 The number of persons relieved out of the fund during the last winter, 285.

ersons to indicate who they were, and noth-327 We observe that among the M. D.'s. who have been lately made in the medical department of Pennsylvania College, is the name of EDAUND J. BOWHAN, formerly of this city. ng more is known about them than was accidentally communicated by them during their

the revolutionary war to be entitled to the benefits of this act, as likewise the volunteers at the invasion of Plattsburg, in September 1814, the volunteers at the attack of town. Del. in the vear 1812 and 1815, and the chaplains who served in the several wars. -----An interesting scene occurred in the United States Senate on Tuesday last. The sword which Gen. Jackson wore through all his campaigns, and which, while on his death bed he presented to his friend and companion in arms, the late Gen. Armstrong, was presented to Congress. Gen. Cass, in presenting the weapon, delivered an eloquent eulogy upon the public services and private virtues of the galant Hero of New Orleans. Mr. Bell followed

ing of the Chief of Police. Breadstuffs are declining in price, in Eng-Gen. Armstrong for the gift. It passed unan-

the provisions of this be, and they are hereby British Plenipotentiary at the conferences.— The first detachment of British troops from 10. The Bounty Land Bill has passed both houses. The bill provides lands for persons of all grades, by land and sea, including Indians, wagoners and flotilla men, who have served in the wars since 1790, one hundred and sixty acres in all to each person who has served not less than fourteen days, except actually in battle for a shorter period. The widows or minor children to receive the benefit in case of the death of the persons so en-titled. The widows of officers and soldiers of

> reducing General Canrobert to a mere cypher. Naples has joined the alliance, and will send Heet and army to the Crimea. France undertakes to prevent a revolution in Italy .-There are also reports of Portugal, Spain and other secondary States doing likewise. The Swiss American difficulty about the seizure of