CIRCULATION, 2000 COPIES! With the commencement of the New ear we have associated with us in the publication of the "Intelligencer & Lancasterian," our son, ALTRED SANDERSON. He will have charge more particularly of the local department, and is fully authorized to transact any business connected with the paper. He will have a few words to say to the readers of the paper in next week's issue, at which time he expects to enter upon his duties.

The County Convention will assemble at Shober's Hotel, North Queen street, to-morrow, at 11 o'clock, A. M.

Delegates Elected. Sanderson.
Philip Leonard, Henry Wilholm, William M. Gormly, Michael M'Gonigle
W. F. S. Warren.
—Jacob Frey, John W. Jackson, Junius
B. Kaufman, John Michael, John Dor-

wart.

Ward—Jacob Stormfeltz, Henry E. Wentz,
James L. Reynolds, John Hamilton,
John Rose.

—Adam Kendig, S. S. Welsh, John Kolp, Henry ob Stambaugh, Levi Hull, Peter Ranck, John Earl—Jacob Stamonusu, July Samuel Hull.

Hempfield E.—Henry Hoffman, J. D. Keller, B. F. Lutz, ers, Dr. Samuel Parker. Pr Twp.--Benjamin Huber, J. Brenner, J. Ditlov

Why Don't They Organize? is now four weeks since the meeting Congress, and still the majority in the House Representatives have failed to elect a Speak These pure "American" patriots, who were to do wonders in reforming the Government and lessening the public expenses, have been frittering away the time, and squander ing the money of the people with a lavish hand. Great reformers, truly! Pledged to purify the political atmosphere and put down the wild hunt after office-they have, thus far at least, shown themselves to be utterly unfit for the position to which, in an evil hour for the country, they were elevated. The whole secret of the delay in the organization, is the scramble for the spoils. With these Know-Nothing Black Republicans and Free Soilers, the spoils are of more consequence than the transaction of the important legislative business of the country. What a beautiful set of fellows they are-fit representatives of the pie-bald party which elected them! They are

"Black spirits and white, blue spirits and grey— Mingle, mingle, mingle, you that mingle may."

How different the position of the Democrat ic members-the seventy-five true hearted, indomitable men who have presented an unbroken front to the enemy. Look at the resolution they adopted at their first caucus—their nomination of Col. Richardson for Speaker, and their steady adherence to him ever since -the announcement that their attitude was defined, their candidate presented, and that they would neither make nor receive any propositions compromising their nominee, their

party, or their principles. What a contrast is here presented. On the one hand is confusion, with bickering, contention, and dismay in the tesselated party-on the other, devotion to principle, union and harmony, and an inflexible determination to adhere to the right and uphold the constitution. Such is Know-Nothingism on one side -such is Democracy on the other We never felt prouder of our good old party, than we have done since this contest for Speaker commenced. It is emphatically the party of the country-a party that knows "no north, no south, no east, no west"-but embraces within its, organization the good and the true friends of constitutional liberty in every State of our Presidency.

Col. John W. Forney.

e are sorry to learn that this gentleman has declined the nomination for Printer, in connexion with Mr. Nicholson, given them by the U S. Senate. We can appreciate the motive which actuated Col. F. in thus retiring from the contest-an anxious desire to har monize and consolidate the Democratic party, and give his few enemies in the Senate no pretext for bolting the nomination, and thus distract and disorganize the democratic majority in that body-but we think the sacrifice is one that he should not voluntarily have made .-Much rather would we have seen him breast ing the storm attempted to be raised against

him by a few dissatisfied spirits in the Senate, and, if it must be so, suffer a defeat through the trenchery of his enemies. His defeat, under such circumstances, could not have injured him in the least, but would, in the long run, have recoiled with terrible effect upon his foes. As it is, his voluntary withdrawal from the contest gives them, for the time being, an apparent advantage, and places him in a position which cannot be sufficiently explained, at this time, to make himself fully understood by the country.

The truth of the matter is -Col. Forney's enemies are envious of him. His brilliant talents, and great services to the Democratic party for many years, have given him such a commanding position before the country, as to make him an eyesore to certain designing and ambitious individuals who have not, and never can acquire such a character for themselves. They would fain pull him down from his lofty eminance to a level with themselves. But they have mistaken their man; for we shall be egregiquely disappointed if he does not pass through this trying ordeal unscathed, and come out of it a stronger and more popular man than ever, whilst his enemies will be abashed and confounded.

A correspondent in the last Express is out against Mr. Buchanan, and denounces him in no measured terms. The communication smells very strongly of a certain shop in E. Orange street, not a hundred miles from North Queen, and can only be accounted for on the principle that the writer wishes to levy a little "black mail" on somebody-it does not matter who. We should not have noticed this silly production of "Marco's" diseased brain, were it not for the assertion made by the Editor of the Express that the communication referred to was denied an insertion in the Intelligencer & Lancasterian. That is a hold. unmitigated fulsehood from beginning to end. We never saw or heard of the article until we got the Express on Saturday morning. The editor of that paper should not place too much reliance upon what is told him by every lying, unprincipled correspondent.

Canal Commissioner. The York Democratic Press strongly recommends Col. Joseph B. Baker, of this county, (the able and indefatigable Superintegadent of libel, and laid his damages at \$10,000. That mends Col. Joseph B. BAKER, of this county, the Philadelphia & Columbia Railroad,) for Canal Commissioner. We are not sware that Col. B. desires the nomination, but we rather think he does not but this much we firmly believe, that, if nominated and elected, he would make one of the most competent and efficient Canal Commissioners the with the suit, State has ever had.

JAMES HEPBURN, Esq., Reporter for of his age.

The Germantown Telegraph strongly to the U. S. Senate.

No Speaker yet at Washington.

Teachers' Convention. Schools of Pennsylvania, held their third an- Hampshire citizen soldiery (composed mainly nual meeting, at the Hall of the Philadelphia of the soldiers of 1812-14) with the President Institute, on Wednesday and Thursday last. of the U. States, which took place week before WILLIAM V. DAVIS, of this city, presided. last, must have been an exceedingly interest-About 200 delegates from various parts of ing occasion; and we copy from the Washingthe State were present.

Superintendents, was said to be rather sur-

prising. This law was the result of the move-

ment among the various teachers' institutes.

While it was not understood, a cry arose from

all quarters for its repeal. But experience has

proved the value of the County Superinten-

dents. About 70 meetings for educational

improvement by various associations had been

held in the State during the present year .--

The most important Institute meeting was

held in Lancaster, at which 206 teachers were

the teachers, has now a circulation of 4000

copies. A hope was expressed that the papers

subject. The Association would soon appeal

to the Legislature for aid in the establishment

of schools for the education of teachers, and a

plan for education of teachers at the public

expense, without imposing any extraordinary

burdens, described. The suggestion made at

the last meeting in regard to the improvement

of the blackboard was approved, and the Com-

mittee recommended that a premium for the

best blackboard be offered, and a committee

of five be appointed to take charge of the sub-

ject. The Committee recommended the es-

tablishment of a model school at Harrisburg,

and the reasons for this were set forth at

The following offcers were elected for the

President-J. P. Wickersham, of Lancaster

V. Presidents—B. M. Kerr, A. K. Browne, R. C. Allison, J. W. Barrett.

Secretaries—J. H. Orris, A. T. Denthrall,

Executive Committee-Rev. Wm. Good.

Presidential Items.

The Meadville (Crawford Co.) Sentinel, has

raised the name of Mr. Buchanan to its mast-

head, and accompanies the act with a strong

and well written article urging his nomina-

The Dixon (Illinois) Transcript indicates a

The Haraisburg State Paper has raised the

name of President Pierce, and urges his re-

The Know-Nothings of Bardstown, Ky.,

have nominated Mr. FILLMORE for the Presi-

' The Fort Madison (Iowa) Plaindealer is in

favor of Mr. Buchanan for the next Presidency.

The Gettysburg Compiler indicates a prefer-

The Staunton (Va.) Vindicator favors the

The Lebanon (Ohio) Citizen, speaking of

the Presidency, says: We are satisfied there

never was so much unanimity in favor of Mr.

BUCHANAN for the Presidency as exists at this

time, and, from present indications, he will go

before the National Convention with an un-

broken delegation from his own State; and, we

think, the man who is nominated, has only to

beat JAMES BUCHANAN before the National

Senator CLAYTON, of Delaware, declines be-

ing considered a candidate for the Presidency.

The Jefferson County Democratic Con-

ention have appointed Hon. David Barclay

Representative Delegate to the 4th of March

Convention, with instructions to support Mr.

BUCHANAN for the Presidency. The Conven-

tion also passed a resolution in favor of Hon.

IRISH AGRICULTURE.-A correspondent of the

London Times, in commenting upon the pro-

gress of Irish Agriculture, states that during

horned cattle has risen from 2,000,000 to

000 to 3,250,000, while the quality has corres-

pondingly improved. Still, however, of the

20,000,000 of nores which Ireland comprises,

only about one-fourth is under direct tillage,

HENRY D. FOSTER for U.S. Senator.

nomination of Hon. R. M. T. Hunter for the

W. Burt, H. Warriner, A. M. Gow.

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preference for Mr. BUCHANAN.

ton Union, the appropriate address of Col. The Chairman of the Executive Committee. Potter, their commander, and the President's A. M. Gow, read the report. It began by eloquent reply : stating that this was the third annual meeting of the Association of Teachers, and he congratulated the members upon the vast improve-

COL. POTTER'S SPEECH. Mr. President—Coming as we do from New Hampshire—the county of Hillsborough, glorious "Old Hillsborough," your home—we ment made in the educational system since ourselves before you as your neighbors the establishment of this Association. It aland friends, calling for friendly salutation and greeting on our pilgrimage to the tomb of the "Father of his country." We call as vet-erans—for what men can better claim that tiluded to the founding of the educational organ in Lancaster-a periodical that led to the subsequent meeting of the Teachers' Conventle than those who hall from the land of tion. The report then gave a synopsis of all Blanchard, Goffe, Rodgers, Stark, the Pierces, father and sons, Miller and McNeil—men the business transacted at the two previous whose deeds, whose names, shall be rememberneetings of the Association, and went on to ed as long as Lake George, Ticonderoga, Crown Point, Bunker Hill, Trenton, Princeton, Benssert that the increase in schools during 1855 had been in a geometrical progression with nington, Saratoga, Monmouth, Yorktown, Niagara, Lundy's Lane, Contreras, Chepultethat of the two years immediately preceding. The opposition to the law creating the County

pec, aye, Mexico—shall have an existance in fact, in history, or in song.

This meeting is the incident of a lifetime. To all of us it may be a page of deep-lined history. Its circumstances—the name of this corps, Amoskeag Veterans—are suggestive of, and bring up, memories of the past of vast in importance. The name is a word in the language of a people who once held sway over the entire territory of the central United States. This nation had its political system, its national councils, its kings and its emperors. Yet, this people, in little more than two hundred years, has been, as it were, swept from the land with the besom of de present. The School Journal, the organ of struction, before the withering tread of the Anglo Saxon. History, imperfect history, and the traditions of a few wandering and

of the State would give more attention to the now almost forgotten greatness. A new race of men has succeeded them. Upon their ruins has arisen this vast re-Their history, together with the histories of the ancient governments of Europe and Asia, teaches us that their fate may yet be ours. Distant, far distant, be that day! But should it come; should the time come when the sun of freedom, that now shines so brightly in our political firmament, obscured by the murky clouds of anarchy and confusion, shall set in everlasting night; and where now is this glorious constitution, where now is this glorious confederacy; where now is this national, substantial freedom, shall remain only their phantom semblance, or shattered fragments, depend upon it, Mr. President, that history will note the fact that the men of Amoskeag were found in solid phalanx. and with banners flying, doing noble battle for the law, the constitution, and the Union Permit me, Mr. President, to introduce to you the Amoskeag veterans, a corps of troops of which I glory in being the commander.

THE PRESIDENT'S SPEECH. The President replied in substance, as fol-

Colonel-I recognize in your corps members who were companions of my boyhood, and those who have been the constant and chershed friends of my mature years, and, notwithstanding the martial equipment and bear-ing of your fine battalion, I am inclined to greet you and them rather as citizens than as soldiers, and rather as personal friends than either. Your presence and your words fill my mind and heart with thoughts and sentiments of home. Dear old county of Hillsbor ough! She has always been full of good men and good deeds! Her broken, rugged territory —her true, steady, intelligent population—how familiar to me were they all for twenty years of my life! The leaping streams and the mountain scenery, so well known to my childhood, and so attractive still, are there yet and will be when I return to New Hampshire to pass the decline of life in your midst, as I hope in the providence of God to do, not with out some degree of usefulness, but the fathers and the mothers of that earlier period are there no longer. It is sad to know that the venerable men of the revolution, whom we are all accustomed to meet with such respect may I not say affectionate reverence-hav passed away, and with them the larger portion of those who served in the war of 1812 remember that so late as the year 1824, fourteen men who fought at Bunker Hill live n the town of my birth, and on one occasion at least, were all assembled around my fathdividual in the county who participated in the battles of the revolution still survives.

These men gave to the popular heart a tone which has descended to your presence here to-day, in this graceful and nonored uniform, is the result of their unseen but potent influence no man may say. I think however, that members of your battalion, be ore me, who served in the war of 1812, will tell you that, when you were forming this organization, they were reminded of compa es called "the alarm lists," which assembled and drilled in many parts of New Hampshire during the war, and which were made up of men who bore the scars of the revolution

It is a proud reflection to me, and I am sure it is to you, that you are from a county which was never found wanting when her sons were called to meet a foreign foe. You pursu your daily avocations within sight of the shaft hich rises over the dust of the stern, strong oldier who, at Bennington, announced in ad vance, victory for the colonists or widowhous for Molly Stark, and you have shown that you are not insensible to the power of elevated as sociation. You honor, by your organization he past fourteen years the value of farm stock the memory of the gallant men who have ser ved and honored not only our native county and our native state, but the whole country. in Ireland has increased from £22,000,000 to £35,000,000 sterling, and that the number of I welcome you as a type of that citizen soldiery which constitutes the military strength of the republic, manifested in every stage of its history. You are the fit representives and the successors of the class of men who wo our independence by the first war, who assured it by the second, and who have more re-

this continent of ours to cultivation, to civili-

zation, to freedom, and thereby carrying the

and every clime. It is nevertheless true that

ant coursge, which teaches their exercise, and

have suggested, that in the war of 1776, at

Bunker Hill, at Bennington, at Monmouth, at

Saratoga, at Yorktown, or at King's Mountain,

here never ceased to flock citizen soldiers to

er at the river Thames, or at New Orleans, in

the north or in the south, determined and effec-

tive armies were never wanting to the Union; that in the war of 1846, the Farmer, the Mer-

that the citizen soldiers, in conjunction with a

oughly drilled army, upon which as a nucleus

epel invasion; that in the war of 1812, wheth-

and fully one-third in pasture. cently conducted a successful war in a foreign DEMOCRATIC STATE CONVENTIONS .- Demo country, remote from home resources.

The United States have never had a large cratic State Conventions have been called in the standing army, nor a large permanent milita States and at the times following, for the purry marine. Is the republic, therefore, feeble in a military sense? Far from it! The fact iose of appointing Delegates to the National that we are not burdened by taxes for the supconvention at Cincinnati: Alabama, Missisport of an immense army and a vast navy sippi, Kentucky, Ohio, Iowa and Tennessee, and that our fixed and ordinary force is apparanuary 8; Florida, 3d Wednesday in April ently small, will add immensely to our strength when the hour to try it shall come. In peri-ods of public tranquility, the strong hands and bold hearts of the nation are not with-Pennsylvania, March 4; Georgia, January 15 PROPERTY OF THE FRENCH EMPEROR FROZEN In—It is stated that 150 canal boats, loaded with flour and grain, consigned to Louis Napoleon, are frozen in between Schenectady and Little drawn from the cultivation of the arts of peace, to become a burden on the revenues of the country and a constant source of peril to its Falls, N. Y. The amount of grain cannot be institutions. They are engaged in the many worth less than \$1,000,000, and ten freight useful pursuits of lifecars a day are emyloxed to carry it to tide wamerce, in the learned professions, in reglaiming

load is enormous. flag and the fame of the Union to every sea The Editor's Book Table. our citizens, although peace-loving, and pursuing peaceful pursuits, are, as it were. "born to arms," and to the spirit of self-reli-METHODIST QUARTERLY REVIEW. J. Mc of patriotism, which animates their use in the The January number of this excellent and very cause of the country. Hence it was, as you

ter. They were engaged with difficulty, as the amount of freight business on the Central

ble periodical is already issued. The contents are The Tract Movement-by the Rev. J. T. Crane Memoirs of Dupin.

The Eastern War—by the Kev. J. H. Perry.
Remains of Latin Tragedy.
Robert Newton—by the Rev. W. C. Hoyt.
Schaff on America—by Prefessor Nadal.
Letters on recent French Literature.
Short Reviews and Notices of Books.

Judge Wilmot, (of Proviso notoriety) has prosecuted Messrs. Chase & McCollins, of the Montrose Democrat, for libel, and laid his damages at \$10,000!

was in 1836-but he has never yet had the courage to bring it to trial! This thing of prosecuting Editors is a shab by business at best, and more "honored in

breach than the observance." as Mr. Wilmot will probably find by the time he gets through

The LEGISLATURE will meet at Harrisburg TO-DAY. Amongst their first duties will be the Supreme Court of this State, died at Phil- the election of a U. S. Senator and State adelphia, on Thursday last, in the 67th year Treasurer. The License question will also claim their early attention. The people have decided this matter in a way which cannot be advocates the election of ox-Governor BIGLER | mistaken, and it rests with the Legislature to mistaken, and it rests with the Legislature to reflect popular sentiment faithfully and truly in any constraint of the dignity and imin any enactments they may make on the

come one of the great powers hereafter to di-rect the destiny of man. The social position and elevated character of the members of this battalion, the respect universally accorded to them at home, cannot fail to animate with a fresh impulse the volunteer militia of Hampshire. I tender to you my acknowledgements for the service you are rendering our native state in this and in other respects and I beg you to accept my cordial thanks for the gratification which your visit affords me personally. I shall hope to see each and all before your departure, in a manner less formal than the present occasion will admit. Wishing you the highest degree of enjoyment you can have anticipated, I desire to avail myself of the privilege often enjoyed be-

fore, of grasping you individually by the hand. Senate of Pennsylvanis. - Session of 1856 charles R. Buckalew, d.

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N. B. Browne, d.

Wm. A. Crabb, a.

John Creswell, d.

John C. Evans, d.

Jonathan Ely, d.

D. A. Finney, a.

J. C. Flenniken, a.

J. J. Flerey, a.

Andrew Gregg, a.

Thomas P. Knox, d.

J. J. Lewis, a.

J. W. Killinger, a.

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J. Henry C. Pratt, a.

W. M. Platt, d.

J. G. Shuman, a.

Henry Souther, r.

James W. Sellers, a.

C. M. Straub, d.

David Taggart, a.

J. H. Walton, d.

Wm, H. Welsh, d.

Samuel Wherry, d.

William Wikins, d. 

House of Representatives.--Sessio Samuel Kerr, r.

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A. B. Longacre, d.

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George W. Miller, d.

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R. B. M'Combs, a.

John C. M'Chee, n.

S. P. M'Calmont, r.

John M. Carthy, d.

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James B. Orr, d.

L. B. Patteron, d.

Darwin Phelps, a.

John Purcell, a.

Josac Robinson, d.

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Lesonard Reed, v. scattered tribes, alone tell of their former and James B Fulton, d Joshua Frey, d Henry D Faster, d John Fausold, d J L Getz, d John M Gibbony, a Henderson Gaylor Jesse Robinson, d
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Loonard Reed, r
Jesse Reinhold, d
John Roberts, d
David Riddle, d
James Ranisey, d
Somuel Emith, d
Jemes Saliebury d
G Nelson Smith, d
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Domocrats marked with a Know-Nothing Democrats. There are doubtless, says the North Carolia Standard, still some Democrats who linger n the Know-Nothing ranks-Democrats who, n an unguarded hour, were induced to connect themselves with the order, and who regret it, and would be glad to be once more in full communion with their former party associations. To all such we say, break the bonds that are upon you and come back to the old Democratic party. What can you promise yourselves and what can you do for your country, by remaining where you are? You perceive, as we all do, that the Know-Nothing organization was not needed-that it has failed in the Southern States-that it is hopelessly fused and abolitionized in the free States -and that as a national organization, it no longer exists. The old Democratic party is, after all, the only true national American party.

The record of all our past history proves try through the same old party. Come back, then, those of you who have honestly gone astray, and the Democracy will receive you with open arms. The great contest of 1856 will soon commence. Range yourselves at once under the Democratic banner, and among your old friends, and aid us in achieving a victory for the Constitution, the Union, and the rights of the States. "Tarry not in the plain," but escape now to the mountain of Democracy, and all will be well. Do this, and in November, 1856, after the battle shall have been fought and won, each of you can say, "I too assisted in achieving this great victory, by which the rights of every section have been shielded and the Union of these

States preserved." Important Correspondence. It will be seen, by the subjoined corresponence, that the new Nicaraguan Government.

established by Col. Walker, is not recognized at Washington City-the President declining to receive Mr. French, the recently appointed Minister from that Republic: Washington City, Wednesday, Dec. 19, 1555 Hon. Wm. L. Marcy, Secretary of State of the United Sta

of America.
Sin: I have in my possession credentials from the Surement Covernment of Nicaragua, appointing me as the Sin: I have in my possession credentials from the Su-preme Government of Nicaragua, appointing mo as the Minister of that Republic near the government at Wash-ington, and accompanying this you will phase find an au-tograph letter from the President of Nicaragua to the Pro-ident of the United States of America. The object of this note is to request an interview with your Excellency he-fore laying my credentials before your government, and in granting it at an early hour, I have no hesitation in anying that you are advancing the best interest of our re-spective countries. I am, sir, with respectful considera-tion, your abedient servant. PARKER H. FRENCH

PARKER H. FRENCH.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE, Washington, Dec. 21, 1855.
To PARKER H. FRENCH, Esq. Washington:
SIB:—Your letter to me of the 10th inst, with the on-closed copy of 'an antiograph letter from the President of Nicaragua to the President of the United States of America,' has been received and laid before the President. I am directed by him to raply to your communication, that has not yot seen reasons for establishing diplomatic intercourse with the persons who now claim to exercise the political power in the State of Nicaragua.

Those who were chiefly instrumental in suspending or overthrowing the former government of that State, were not citizens belonging to it, nor have those citizens, or any considerable part of them, so far as is now known here, freely expressed their approval of, or acquiescence in the present condition of political affairs in Nicaragua. Until such shall be the case, the President does not deem it proper to receive you, or any one, as a Minister to this Government duly appointed by the supreme Government of Nicaragua.

l am, sir, your obedient servant,
WM, L. MARCY.

The Hon. Stephen A. Douglas, U. S. Senator from Illinois, who has been detained at Terre-Haute, Ind., for some weeks, by illness, reached Cleveland on Friday week, on his way to Washington. The Cincinnati Enquirer thus notices the passage of Mr. Douglas through

that city: "This distinguished statesman through our city yesterday, on his way to Washington. We are glad to state that he has, in a measure, recovered his health, and that in a short time he will be in his place in chant, the Mechanic, the Lawyer, the Physician, the statesman, emulously rushed to the field, at the public call, in such numbers that the Senate chamber, which he has adorned by his talents, and which, for many years, has acknowledged him as one of its master spirits.

In point of intellectual vigor, and consistency and devotion to Democratic principles, Mr. the question with my friend near me, then se-cretary of war, (Gov. Marcy,) was not whence he should derive soldiers, but whom of the Douglas is surpassed by no other man in the the weight of his gigantic intellect in their forsmall but most gallant, scientific, and thor- ensic discussions, while the friends of the Democratic organization unanimously concede to him, for his fatihfulcess, one of the highest

they formed, nobly sustained their country's arms, and made every field a field of victory. positions in its ranks." It is beautiful to see the energies of a martial people, with such capabilities and resour-There are some tender husbands war, devoted to the arts of peace. It Mississippi. On the night of the 20th ult., would be fearful to see them exerted in a great Young C. Boyard, residing near Benton, forstruggle of arms. A nation, nowever, which can readily summon to the field five hundred thousand brave, intelligent, hardy men, actions of the saddle, and to customed from boyhood to the saddle, and to When she supposed her inhuman husband was struggle of arms. A nation, however which asleep, she crept softly into the house, and suitable terms of acknowledgment. condition to invite aggression by any suppos-ed want of ability to repel it. laid herself down on a sheepskin before the portance of your position as citizen soldiers at her brains out. Bovard was apprehended a period when the United States have beneat day and lodged in Jail.

CITY AND COUNTY ITEMS. CHARLES M. HOWELL, Esq., the newly duties of his office to-day. The public will find him to be a most obliging, intelligent and

We direct the attention of capitalists the Virginia lands in the market. See advertising columns

The Masonic Grand Lodge of the State et last week at their Hall in Philadelphia and elected their officers for the ensuing year Amongst the new appointments is our friend Chas. M. Howell, Esq. who has been made D. D. Grand Master for Lancaster county.

An adjourned Court of Quarter Sessions rill be held next week, to commence on Mon

CHRISTMAS DAY was a wet, disagreea ble day—enough so to give "all creation and the rest of mankind" an attack of the "horrors," "blue devils," or something worse.
And, then, just by way of variety, we suppose, it cleared off about midnight, and was followed by a very high cold wind, which, in additionable was peculiarly detion to freezing the mud, was peculiarly de-structive to sign boards, awnings, &c., &c.— It was a very decided "blow," and roused many a sleeper who had been sweetly reclining in the arms of Morpheus during the early part of the night. Next day overcoats and cloaks were in demand. Since then the weather has been cold and wintry with indications of an abundance of snow Interesting Exhibition.—The exhibition

of the St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal Sunday School, which took place at Concert Hall, on Christmas evening, was, all things considered, the most interesting and successful demonstration of the kind ever witnessed in this city .-Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather, the Hall was crowded to its utmost capacity, and probably not less than two hundred rsons were obliged to go away, not being able to gain admission. The declamation, d alogues, and singing, by the scholars, some of them scarcely more than "knee high," evinced the care which had been taken by their teachers, or those having charge of the preliminary

arrangements.

We never saw an audience more attentive or apparently more deeply interested in the proceedings of the evening, and they frequently manifested their approbation by loud out-bursts of applause. Indeed those present were so well pleased that a repetition was demanded, and consented to, and New Year's evening fixed upon, for which occasion Fulton Hall has been engaged. All who love to see the little folks acquit themselves nobly should attend. The price of admission is 123 cents, the proceeds of their sale to be appropriated to the Sunday School and the Church with which it is connected.—Express.

SCALDED TO DEATH -A distressing acciden resulting in the death of a child about three years old, occurred in Middle street, on Thursday evening last. The father of the child, who is a German, and but a short time a res ident of this city, was engaged in butchering, and had stood a tub of hoiling water on his back porch near the door. The child anxious to see what was going on, got upon the bench, when the door slamming too, alarmed her to such a degree that she lost her foothold and fell into the tub of boiling water. She was immediately taken out and medical assistance produced, but death put an end to the misery of the little sufferer in a short time.—Ib.

MEETING OF SOLDIERS OF 1812 .-- In pursuance of public notice, the soldiers of the war of 1812 met at the public house of John Michael, on Wednesday the 26th inst On motion, THOMAS LLOVD was

VICE PRESIDENTS. - Capt. Geo. Heitzelberger, Capt S. D Miller, Jacob Eckman, Robert Secretaries .- Col. William S. Amweg,

sen President.

Benjamin Pennell, Esq. On motion the following committee was ap-

pointed to draft resolutions:-Col. Wm. S. Amweg, Capt. Geo. Heitezlberger, Philip Leonard, William Humes and John Miller The following preamble and resolutions were

offered by Col. Wm. S. Amweg, and adopted: we are again allowed to meet in common to greet each other as brothers and soldiers of the War of 1812; and whilst each passing year attachment that inspires the breasts of th survivors of that era. We have known each other's sentments in the times that tried men's souls," and we still know our duty to each other, and to our country, now enjoying the glorious blessings of an independent form of government. We would cherish our natal blessings until the last survivor will be

heard to proclaim, "Our country and our country's good forever." Therefore,
Resolved, That the thanks of this meeting be tendered to the members of the two Hous es of Congress, who voted for the Bounty Land for his approval of that act of justice to th he 2d War of Independence, and to the Widows and minor children of such de

Resolved, That Congress be requested to so modify the Bounty Land Act, as to allow parol testimony of associates in arms, to prov

Resolved, That our and the thanks of the surviving widows and children of our deceased comrades, are especially due to the Hon. Joel B. Sutherland, for his able, eloquent and untiring exertions in our and their behalf and while life lasts, all interested cannot fai to remember him, not only as a friend to his country's defenders, but also to their widow

and children.
Resolved, That our thanks are due to the Hon. Richard Broadhead, for his active and untiring exertions in having justice done to the soldiers of the war of 1812, in securing to them 160 acres of land for their services in the econd war of Independence.

Resolved, That our thanks are due to the Hon. John Wentworth, for his able advocacy of the bill presented by him at the last session of Congress, relative to the Pension, and that the subject be respectfully referred to our Na-tional Convention on the 8th of January next Resolved, That we present our warmes thanks to the editors of the public presentation the Union, for their able and un tiring support of the claims of the men of th

war of 1812, upon the justice of the Republic The following delegates were then elected to attend the National Convention—Philip conard, S. D. Miller, Adam Messenkop Thomas Lloyd, George H. Bomberger, Capt. Geo. Heitzelberger, Jos. White, John Miller James Collins, Samuel H. Shoch, Jesse Boyer, Reuben Welchans, William Garden, Henry Eicholtz. Col. Wm. S. Amweg, Secretary.

BOMBARDMENT AND FALL OF SEBASTOPOL .-We are indebted to Mr. Elias Barr, News Agent of this City, for a copy of Wells' New Chart of the Bombardment and Fall of Sebastopol—showing the Attack on the Redan, Ranges and Calibre of the guns, Past and Present Condition of the Contending Forces, Formaion of the Grounds, Stragetic Points, Fortifications, Battle Grounds, Batteries, Harbours, &c. Also a French Engineer's Topographical Range Map of Sebastopol; and a new Map of the Crimea. Published by O. F Parsons, New York.

The references make the whole publication exceedingly valuable and interesting, and our readers would do well to call on Mr. Barr without delay and procure copies thereof.

A matrimonial alliance of uncommen character has lately been effected in Fluvana county, Va. Mr. Robert Grey, the gallant groom, is 95 years of age, and the late Mrs. Catherine Riley, (now Mrs. Grey,) 92 years of Dr. Kane.-We find in the Washington

Union a letter from the British Minister in Washington, Mr. - Crampton, to Dr. KANE, of the U. S. Navy, informing him, that the British government had been apprised of his safe return, and desire to congratulate him and his crew and officers on their reaching home,

WILLIAM MONTGOMERY, Esq., of Wash fire. Bovard was awake, however, and saw ington co., has withdrawn his name as a canher enter; and after she had laid quietly down, didate for U. S. Senator. 1t is understood he took a heavy maul and deliberately beat | that Hon. Joun L. Dawson, of Fayette county, district, for the office.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Shortly after 2 o'clock this afternoon, the U. S. Marshal received a dispatch from Washington ordering the scizand detention of the steamship Northern of Light, for Nicaragna, and officers were sent on board to detain her. The Counsel of the Transit Company declared that she should sail at the usual hour; subsequently, however, he and the Captain of the ship went to the office of the U. S. District Attorney, to see what arrangement could be made, but the result of

interview is not known. About 4 o'clock, the Northern Light got un er way, but she had not proceeded far before intercepted by a Revenue Catter, which fired two guns across the bows of the steamer, and brought her to. Two other Sutters afterwards proceeded to assist in stopthe steamer. Between three and four hun dred young men were forced on board, whose appearance indicated that they were Nicaraguan adventurers. One of them confessed hey were such, and had been engaged by Parker H. French, and others. When the orthern Light left her dock, she had on board he three United States officers, who had been detailed to take her in charge.

The Northern Light returned to the ciry about 7 o' clock. The Revenue Cutter fired a blank cartridge first to bring her to, without effect, and then sent a shot two or three rods ahead of her. The steamer then stopped, and was compelled to return to her dock, where she now lies secured, and in charge of the U.S.

THE REMAINS OF SIR JOHN FRANKLIN'S PAR-TV.—St. Pauls, Min., Dec. 24.—A party araived here yesterday, from the Red River, on their way to Canada, bringing authentic intelligence concerning Sir John Franklin's party, rhich it now appears, perished on the Coast opposite Montreal Island, where their bones now lie. They died of hunger, a party of Esuimaux having reached them just as the last nan perished. The party brought home sevral relics of the Franklin expedition.

The Circuit Court at Reading, Pa., de led last week that the law does not allow "fictitious bids" at auction, and that if "puf-fers" are employed the sale is void.

\$1,750,000 in Gold.—The steamship Empire City arrived at New York on Monday reek, with the California inails of the 20th ult. She brings \$1,750,000 in gold, and 500 passer

WHEAT AND CORN .- The quantity of store at Oswego, N. Y., is said to be about 820,000 bushels. About one-third of the mount is or miller's account. There is also

in store nearly 100,000 bushels of corn for the Oswego Starch Factory. LETTER FROM NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28, 1855. Mr. Editor: The most important and exciting local event, this week, was the forcible letention of the steamship Northern Light, Captain Tinklepaugh, with three or four hundred emigrants to Nicaragua, who pretended that their objects were entirely agricultural and peaceful, while the Government officers, on the other hand, believed themselves possession of authentic information that these 'emigrants' were nothing more nor less than recruits for Col. Walker's legion. In defiance of the authority of four deputies from the Uni ted States Marshal, who had been sent on board, and in contempt of the prohibition the United States District attorney, in person he steamer left her wharf, and attempted t proceed to sea, and was only arrested in the pay, after three guns (the last of which was hotted) had been discharged at her from a Inited States revenue cutter. The accessor Transit Company, at whose instigation Grey town was bombarded and burned by Captain Hollins, are hand in glove with the Walker party, and are manœuvering in every possible way to aid them in strengthening and maintaining the present (Walker's) Government of the State of Nicaragua. Hon Joseph L White, formerly a Member of Congress from Indiana, and afterward a prominent lawyer and politician of this city, is the legal advise of the Transit Company, in which he is also a heavy shareholder. He is a man of more than ordinary eloquence at the bar, and in this matter of the detention of the Northern Light, ne has not a very formidable antagonist in the person of Mr. McKeon, the District Attorney; or that gentleman is both feeble and indis is entertaining to read the various comments of our daily papers on this subject—the savage, hap-hazard onslaught of one

The proprietors of the Express, by the by, lose more in public estimation by the loose manuer in which they allow the editorial columns of their paper to be conducted, than they gain by their speeches in Congress and in the State Senate, and by their public con-troversies with Roman Catholic Archbishops iblic con-The brothers Brooks, who are unquestionably men of talent, have always been so absorbed in political matters, that they have allowed eir paper to be controlled by inferior and irresponsible persons, who have made it noto-rious as a vehicle of private scandal. Most of those persons are foreigners, and the strong-est "native" articles in the Express are understood to be written by a hungry Scotchman The consequences of the neglect of their legit-imate business business by the talented brothers who own the Express are not only visible in the kind and quality of the editor al matter of that paper, but also in the typog raphy, proof-reading, and general appearance, which are a disgrace to American journalism. Young proprietors of newspapers should understand that to the delegation by the Brothers Brooks to other parties of the immediate nd active supervision of the details of their business, are mainly due the inferiorities of the Express to which I have just alluded, its hadowless claim to the title of a news-paper and a consequent circulation less than one-third of that of any other two cent newspaper in New York. I know that my language appears strong and influenced by prejudice; but compare the Express with the Times, Herald, or Tribune, and see if I do not record an lynest truth

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In this city, full of schools, colleges, theo logical institutions, convents, churches of every conceivable denomination, home and foreign missionary societies, moral reform socie-ties, and, last though not least, newspapers, I do not know of as many as six stores customer is sure to be fairly treated. I refer to dry goods stores, clothing stores, groceries &c. If there be a few more, as there doubt less are, it is their misfortune, and not my fault, that their honesty is not more generally known. Perhaps there is no man York that stands so deservedly high all around as Daniel Devlin, the head of the house of D Devlin & Co.—the first clothing bouse in the world-so says the trade here. About years ago, he came to New York; and by his sterling honesty, has succeeded in gaining confidence of every country merchant who has the good fortune to deal with him! His im perative orders to his salesmen are to claim for every article no more merit than it deserves, put a price upon it without the slightest reference to the apparent shrewdness of the buyer. Any violation of the business moral code of Mr. Devlin by an employee is visited with dismissal. Mr. Devlin's is the only establishment of the kind in the city pa tronized by our best dressed men, who have generally a perfect horror of ready made clothng; but in this establishment, as much skill is devoted to the manufacture of the best styles of ready made goods as to the preparation of custom work

> For the Intelligence: Assessor.

Mr. Editor :-- allow me to present the nam of William H. Wagoner, as a candidate for Assessor, in the South East Ward. Mr. Wagoner's known abilities and integrity recommend him to the favorable consideration of his Democratic fellow citizens.

> SOUTH EAST. For the Intelligencer & Lancasterian. The Mayoralty.

Mr. Editor:—Among the many names sug-cested as candidates for the office of Mayor, I notice with pleasure that of George M. Stein

Man, Esq.
Mr. Steinman's qualifications for this office are second to none of the worthy gentlemen mentioned in connection with the Mayoralty, and he could receive the undivided support his fallow-citizens. S. E. WARD.

A State Military Convention is to be January next.

WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENCE.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 2011, 1000.
Yesterday was quite a sprightly day in the House of Representatives. Mr. William Milward, from one of the Philadelphia districts, stated to the House, that an attempt had been made to bribe him to vote for Mr. Banks, by the promise that he should be placed at the head of the Committee of the House on Places with Places in the House on Engraving and Printing. Of this, as the dark-lantern boys would answer, I "know nothing." Certain it is, that that Committee must have been viewed as a is, that that committee must have been money very loose concern, and that there has been money made by being on that Committee, or else, Mr. Milward would not have been approached for the purchase of his vote. But, to the nonor of Mr. Milward, chase of his vote. But, to the honor of Mr. Milward, he has exposed the shameful transaction, and I presume, his expose will lead; to a much further and searching investigation when the House shall become organized. It is proper to remark, that Mr. Pearce, another member from Pennsylvania, who is charged in conjunction with the Hon. J. Covode, of your State, as being engaged in this attempt upon Mr. M., has stoutly denied having offered Mr. Attlward any such place at the head of the Committee on Engraving and Printing. Be this as it may, the whole business is in full keeping with the principal managers of the different isms that have now, unfortunately, obtained a majority in the House of Reprenately, obtained a majority in the House of Repre-sentatives. The whole lot of the ismatics came to Congress through, and by, duplicity and corruption
—and they are now so very cager to begin to "share
and share alike" by fraud and bribery, that they
cannot even wait for the House to be organized, but must begin trade by buying up a chairman of a committee. Mr. Banks declares, that he never aucommittee. Mr. Banks declares, that he never authorized any such promise of appointment to be made to any person. That he "knows nothing" of any such transaction. This may be true for all we know, but a "know-nothing" has a larger latitude for conclusions than most tolks, and, consequently, he is like the sunner recited in the good Book that he will not be believed, even if he shall tell the truth. I guess that some of the members will feel a little cheap when this matter is fully exposed to the people of your State;—that gallant old State which is now so shamefully represented in the House of Kepresentatives, by a conglomeration of isms, as discordant as their principles thus advocated by them, and which are disgraceful to the present history of the fair fame of Pennsylvania. But, next year, the Old Keystone State will right the present wrong, in the fair fame of Pennsylvania. But, nex Old Keystone State will right the present having such representatives in Congress. The con-test of '56 will cure much of the evil that is in her

Old Keystone State will right the present wrong, in having such representatives in Congress. The contest of '56 will cure much of the evil that is in her representatives composing the majority in the 34th Congress. There is a small but gallant band of Pennsylvanians, of the firm Democracy, in the House, that can and will save the State from utter disgrace;—those seven tried patriots are ever at their post of duty, and the National Democracy of Old Pennsylvania is well and faithfully represented by the seven intended and argumentative son of Old Berks, the Democracy of Pennsylvania need not fear any tarrish being permitted to lay at the door not well and ably refuted.

The prospect for the election of Speaker is yet remote. The expose of attempted bribery has delayed the choice of Speaker, and, as now advised, it is impossible to even conjecture when one will be chosen. Your Legislature meeting hext Tuesday, it is desired that in parceling out the distinctions of office within their gift, they will not forget a citizen of Pennsylvania, who, by his talents and judicious position in the National Democracy, has claims for promotipn to a national position at the hands of the patriotic Legislature of the Keystons of the Arch of the union of the States, who are Democratic, true and steadfast; therefore, the able member of Congress from Old Berks, we are sure, will not be overlooked, when a vacancy is to be filled by the vote of the National Democratic party of the State of Pennsylvania, in the national council of the Union.

F. P. Blair, Esq., has been named in the Cincinnati Adventure, as a candidate of the black-republican-abolition party, for the next Presidency. Mr. Blair, since his apostacy from Democratic principles, has become wonderfully the favorite of the abolition party, in the mass when Mr. Blair was every thing that was wicked, when he belonged to the Democratic party. But, now that he has a postatized from correct principles, and become a pander to abolition, he has became a very sant of perfection, and

lected.
The last vote this evening was announced as fol-ws:—Banks, 101; Richardson, 68; Fuller, 31; Scat-

ring, 9. Necessary to a choice 105. After this ote, the House adjourned.

WASHINGTON NEWS.

Correspondence of the Intelligencer & Lancasteria WASHINGTON, DEC. 24, 1855. An adjournment having been effected until Wed-nesday, members become more placable under the softening influences of Christmas Dinners, and be willing to give up their differences and unito in the election of Mr. Banks to the Speakership. Much as

Fuller and his frience some moor two massivable hallucination that the Democrats will in the end come to his support, notwithstanding the effectual quietus given to all such presentions by the able, manly and patriotic speech or Mr Cobb, or Georgia, on Friday. The impudence on the part of the men who ask Democrats to vote for Fuller, is surpassed jeering, reckless remarks of a third. give ear to their propositions. Much as the Democ-racy are opposed to the Republicans and their insano When all the "emigrants" were put on shore, the Northern Light was allowed to proceed to attempts to spring fierce sectional issues upon the attempts to spring heree sectional issues upon the country, the guil which separates the Democrats from the dark-lantern Know-Nothings is as wide, deep and impassable. Above all, the Democracy must not be asked to reward the treachery of Henry M. Fuller with the Speakership; he is not worth quite that price. If those who call themselves Southern Americans find themselves in a bad scrape, they need not in their miseries call upon Heroules to sea; but the farce is not yet ended, several of leaders being imprisoned to await their Southern Americans find themselves in a bad scrape, they need not in their miscries/call upon Heroules to help them, but must get out of it in the best way they can. Had they relied on the National Democratic party, the result in the House would be very different. The Democrats most respectfully beg lonve to be excused from relieving them from the ruin which has so properly overtaken them. They offer no alliance with the Know-Nothings of any section, unless nursed of their heresies, they place section, unless, purged of their heresies, they place themselves on the platform of the Democratic caucus and come right into the Demodratic fold. These are the terms—no fusion, no coalition with Know-Noth

ngs.
I do not think the House is any nearer an organization than it was on the day of meeting. The hope of the friends of Banks to carry the plurality resolution, and thus elect him, has twice failed, and will not perhaps be tried again. Some of the Republi-cans are opposed to the adoption of the rule, and sustain their opposition by the argument that if they have no majority to elect a Speaker, they have none sustain their opposition by the argument that if they have no majority to elect a Speaker, they have none for any practical purposes of legislation. They have made their stand on Banks, and are apparently resolved to stick to him to the last gasp, which resolve is by no means comfortable to Campbell, of Ohlo, and a brace of other gentlemen who had not begun to despair of their own chances for the Speakership.

The Hon. John R. Edic, who bengratulates himself on having the especial guardianship and care of the "great iron interests" of Pennsylvania, votes for Campbell instead of Banks, because the latter is not sound on Protection! Col. Edic, I am told, considers this a "smart dodge," and expects by his influence, and, of course, that of the aforesaid "great iron interest," to bring the friends of Banks over to Campbell. They will hardly come. Had the Col. called on me, I could have given him a much better excuss for voting against Banks. Ho is understood to have had, about the memorable year 18:10, a particular aversion to coon skins and hard cider. Opposition to him on that ground would have been fair and legitimate. But the Tariff! Where's "Tariff Andy?" Things are thus at a 'dead look' among the Know-Nothing Republicans, and the legislation of the country is postponed by their personal difficulties and differences, which is a rather bad beginning for Know-Nothing Republicans, and the legislation of the country is postponed by their personal difficulties and differences, which is a rather bad beginning for those who bear to be, par excellence, the "rulers of America."

LANCASTER

LARGE PROFITS,-The Easton Sentinel of last Thursday, says that the Delaware Division of the Pennsylvania Canal has yielded the largest revenue during the vear which ended on the 30 ult., that has ever herotofore been realized in one year, the whole receipts of the Division amounting to upwards of \$388,000. The receipts at the Easton office alone, were \$349,292 46, being an increase on the last year of twenty-nine thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine dollars and eighty three cents. This pays, after deducting all expenses, ordinary and extraordinary, for the fiscal year, upwards of twenty per cent, on the original cost of the improvement. Two Dead Children Found in a Railroad

CAR .- On Wednesday, after the emigrant train coming from the east on the Pennsylvania Rallroad had changed cars at Altoona, the conductor, on looking into a car which had been left behind, was horrified to find the dead bodies of two children, aged respectively about three and five years. The matter was telegraphed west, and it was accertained that the parents of the children were poor German emigrants, who left them unburied from necessity. The citizens of Altoona had the unfortunate babes decently buried. The youngest is supposed to have died from exposure while teething-nid the other from

SAILING OF THE NORTHERN LIGHT .- New York, Dec 27. The Northern Light sailed at midnight, by permission of the U.S. District Attorney. The revenue cutter Vixen and Despatch accompanied the Northern Light down the harbor, to prevent the embarkation of any additional passengers.

A YOUTHFUL COUPLE. - A couple were married in Greenbush, N. York, last week, whose united ages were one hundred and sixheld at Harrisburg, on Monday, the 21st of ty-two years. Whether they got the consont of their parents is not known.