Frightful Calamity.

TWO BOYS FALL TO THE BOTTOM OF A WELL AND ARE KILLED.

A shocking calamity occurred at Norwalk yesterday noon, the particulars of which have been furnished us by Mr. Rust, engineer on the Cleveland and Toledo Railroad. A few weeks since Mr. McKinley, a machinist, and his two sons, Charles and George, dug a well near their house to the depth of fifty seven feet.—The well was about eighteen inches in diameter at the top and three feet at the bottom.—Yesterday they commenced erecting a curb around the well. The windlass which had been used for drawing up dirt was still standing over it, and by some means the bucket attached to the windlass rope became unfastened and fell to the bottom. One of the boys put his feet in the iron hook at the end of the rope and went down to recover the bucket the other holding the windlass the while. When some ten feet on his way down the boy slipped from the rope and fell to the bottom of the well.—Mr. McKinley, wild with horror, put his other son upon the rope, and bade him go down and save his brother. The boy attempted to do so, but lost his hold when some twelve feet down, and fell to the bottom, as his brother had before him. A light was lowered into the well to enable those above (there was a large crowd congregated) to see the unfortunate lads, but the air was so foul that the light instantly went out.

A large number of men worked all yesterday afternoon to recover the bodies of the boys.—They were raised several times to within eight or ten feet of the top, but the opening was so extremely small they could not be pulled out, and fell violently back to the bottom. It was proposed to dig the well out to-day.

The boys were aged seventeen and fourteen years respectively, and are described as smart and worthy boys.

By special private despatch from Norwalk we learn that the bodies were recovered at twelve o'clock last night. Physicians state that the boys must have died from the foul air in the well rather then from their fall. Mr. McKinley is nearly insane with grief. The bodies had fallen and been pulled nearly up so many times that they were terribly mutilated when eventually recovered.—*Cleveland (O.) Plaindealer, 23d inst.*

BROKE JAIL.—On Friday night last, ANNA MARIA VEITANGRUBER, who had been confined in the jail of this county, since the autumn of 1855, awaiting trial for the murder of her husband, made her escape. The manner in which she made her exit from her cell shows that she aided by some person from the outside. The lock which secured the cell door was uncrewed and taken off, and there being nothing further to impede her progress, she was thus easily enabled to pack her duds and decamp.

That the scheme was duly matured and shrewdly conducted, is self-evident. After leaving the court house, two distinct tracks were were traced across the public square (there being a light snow on the ground) to Main street, where the trail was lost. About a quarter of a mile from town, on the Dushore road, was found where a horse, attached to a waggon, had been hitched and fed during the night, and it is fair to suppose that she was conveyed in that vehicle to parts unknown.

Mrs. VEITANGNUBER is a German woman, about thirty-seven years of age—about five feet eight inches tall—light hair, and has rather an intelligent countenance, and speaks the English language but brokenly.

Mr. CRAFT, the Sheriff, being absent on the night she made her escape, and not returning home until Saturday evening, she had ample time to get out of reach before any one went in pursuit of her. Although the Sheriff has offered a reward for her apprehension, and made diligent search, no clue to her whereabouts has yet been obtained.—*Sullivan County Democrat.*

SUDDEN APPEARANCE OF A SPRING.—On Sunday morning last, Mr. George Golden, who resides on the Hollow Road, within the city limits, was awakened at an early hour by the sound of rushing water. In getting up he was astonished to find that a spring of water had burst forth in the middle of his yard, and was rapidly overflowing the adjoining premises.—As soon as assistance could be procured a channel was dug for the reception of the water, which soon carried it off to the neigboring creek; but not until the yards of Mr. Golden and Mr. Carter had been flooded. The spring which made its appearance so suddenly is flowing on in an undiminished volume. The aperture in the ground is as large as a man's limb, and the water is cool, clear, and limpid. It has already formed quite a romantic rivulet.—The soil through which it burst is that known as "hard pan," and in the vicinity there are several springs of a similar nature. The circumstance is worthy the attention of scientific men.—*Troy Whig, Nov. 23.*

PRIZE FIGHT.—Two young noted rogues of Elmira, one hailing from the merry Green Isle and the other of the Young America stripe, actuated by the effects of the Morrisey and Heenan sort of notoriety, adopted the "ring" as the most celebrated place to settle a dispute and selected the peaceful town of Southport as as the battle ground. Accordingly, on Friday last, they "formed a ring," and both combatents came to the mark. After squaring off, with a few "passes," the Irshman was completely nonplussed by a stunner from Young America, which rendered him unable to come to time for a second round, and the victory was accorded to his antagonist.

ROBBERY.—The last *Elmira Advertiser* says: A man by the name of McGee got entirely the worse for liquor at Joe Emmans' saloon, near the Depot, on Saturday night. He had fifty nine dollars about him, which he foolishly showed to the bystanders, some of whom took advantage of his condition and relieved him of the money. James Wilson and John Kennedy were arrested for the robbery and examined before the Police Justice yesterday. They were held to bail in the sum of $500 each for trial at the next term of Court, failing to give which, the were committed to the Chemung County Jail.

TWO MEN DROWNED.—Two men were drowned near Linden, on Sunday night, while endeavoring to cross the river. There were three together, one of whom escaped by holding fast to the boat, after it capsized. They were laborers on Bennett's section of the Sunbury & Erie railroad, but we were not able to learn their names. One was supposed to be named Welsh, and formerly a resident of Sullivan county. The bodies were recovered on Monday morning, and interred yesterday.—*Williamsport Gazette.*

News from all Nations.

—Some of the farmers around Milton warn all persons against hunting or in any manner trespassing on their grounds. Right—spare the birds!

—An eminent and much respected colored Presbyterian Minister, Rev. Samuel E. Cornish, died in New York city, last week, aged 65 years.

—The Republicans will probably be the strongest party in the Congress of 1859—1860, but no party will have an absolute majority.

—The friends of Maj. Swartz, of Reading, distributed some large fat bullocks among the poor of the city, as their way of celebrating his election.

—The trial of Allibone and Newhall of the late Pennsylvania Bank, has been postponed four weeks.

—We learn from the Washington *States*, that Thomas Chapman, son of the Hon. Henry Chapman, of Doylestown, Pa., was robbed on the 16th of October, in San Francisco, California, of about $2,000. His trunk was broken open in his absence from his room.

—Gov. Packer tendered the vacancy in the Supreme Court to Mr. Read, and it was declined on the ground that he wished a short time to settle his business prior to entering upon his duties in December.

—The best way to stop "brutal prize fights," is, not to notice them beforehand, or describe them afterward, but to make laws punishing all engaged in them, and all who advertize them.

—Messrs. Butt & Bower, publishers of the Independent Press, have changed the name to Williamsport Press. A sensible change that.

—Thomas Phillips, a well known citizen of Cincinatti, Ohio, being insane from religious excitement, threw himself before a locomotive, last Friday, and was instantly crushed to death.

—Christian Jacobi, whose trial for the murder of his wife, at Cork's Run, near Pittsburg, Pa., has been progressing for some days past, was convicted last Saturday, of "murder in the first degree."

—The extensive rolling-mill at Columbia, Pa., was sold at sheriff's sale on the 6th inst., and was bought by the Columbia Bank for $22,400.

—Geo. M. Clark, indicted for passing counfeit money, was tried at New Castle, (Del.,) last Monday, and acquitted, on the ground of insanity.

—A bill has been introduced into the Legislature of Georgia, to prevent the use of any Latin phrase in any of the Legislative acts of the State.

—The Union majority against Buchanan in New Jersey is 8,148. Add to this Jones' separate American vote in Camden, &c., and the majority is 12,000!—The Legislature is Opposition, and will oust Wright, the traitor Lecomptonite.

—Lots of Locos, Editors, and even Post-Masters, who abused Douglas with all their might until Election, are now tacking about to come under his support, leaving the poor old President to hoe his own row as best as he can.

—At Lysander, Onondago county, N. Y., on Sunday, John C. Forbes tied a jug of whiskey about his neck, and attempted to swim the river. The jug proved too heavy for him, and he was found the next morning at the bottom.

—The Washington *Union* reads Maj. John Schwartz out of the party, because he beat the New Minister to Austria. The idea of reading a man out of the party who goes to Congress, backed by a majority of the old Berks Democracy, is a subject worthy the caricature of Punch.

—Private advices from France announce the sudden death at Paris of the Hon. Benjamin F. Butler, of New York, formerly Attorney-General of the United States, under the Administration of General Jackson.

—It is said that Postmaster-General Brown intends to recommend in his report a plan for post office money orders based on the English system.

—The British squadron on the African coast has captured nine slavers during the last six months. Their crews were, probably, at once set at liberty, and encouraged to commence new slave-trade adventures, that the British war vessels might reap another harvest of prizes.

—John Miller has been appointed postmaster at Columbus, Ohio, vice Samuel Medary, appointed Governor of Kansas. Mr. Miller was the incumbent of the Columbus postmastership prior to the appointment of Mr. Medary to that office.

—The Indiana State Senate passed a resolution, by a vote of 26 to 22, declaring the election of Mssrs. Bright and Fitch to the United States Senate to be illegal, unconstitutional, and void. The same resolution is pending in the House.

—On the 13th inst., the vaults of the bank of New Orleans contained $13,025,597 in specie.

—Senator Douglas has written to Washington a letter, announcing that he will not be there until the 15th of December.

—Mr. Richard Ten Broeck has returned home after a long sojourn in England. It is Mr. Ten Broeck's intention to go back to England in the spring, and to take with him some fresh American horses to test their qualities again on the English turf.

—A citizen of this State, Mr. George Washington Reifsnyder, of Pottsville, has, it is said, accepted Tom Hyer's challenge to fight any man in the world for $10,000.

—The St. Louis Democrat says that it is rumored in Southern Illinois that the Douglas men are about to make the most of their power in the Legislature; that they will not only elect Mr. Douglas, but also a successor for Judge Trumbull, whose term expires in 1860.

—Late California papers state that the Supreme Court of California will sustain Col. Fremont as the rightful owner of the gold vein on the Marriposa tract.

—The Teachers' Association of Middlesex county, Mass., have adopted resolutions expressing the opinion that children in the primary schools should not be confined to study in their seats more then three hours per day.

—Twenty-five Newspapers, which have been started in Kansas since its settlement in the fall of 1854, have suspended, or gone under entirely.

—A new iron ore bed has just been discovered on the grounds belonging to the Clinton State Prison. The quality of the ore is said to be "A No. 1."

—Barker G. Buel has recovered $4,450 from the New York Central Railroad, for injuries received on the cars, at Bergen, in October, 1857.

—There is a "Sit-Still Association," in Newport, R. I., the members of which do not believe in any locomotion whatever.

—A bill has been introduced into the Legislature of Nebraska, to prohibit slavery in that Territory after January 1, 1859.

—Saline county, Ill., at the recent election, polled 1,096 votes for the Democratic ticket, and none for any other ticket.

—Mayor Tiemann is seriously ill, and on Friday fainted on his way to his office, from an attack of neuralgia.

—Congress meets this year, on the 6th of December. The House meets in its new hall, the Senate in its old one.

—It is reported that the report of the Secretary of the Treasury will recommond a duty upon tea and coffee.

The Commissioners employed in running the boundary between Virginia and Tennessee, find the line so crooked that they have all become cross-eyed and subject to fits of vertigo.

Bradford Reporter.

E. O. GOODRICH, EDITOR.

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THE ILLINOIS SENATORSHIP.

The question is still discussed in some of the Illinois papers, whether Mr. DOUGLAS will be elected to the Senate. The Louisville *Journal* says it is claimed that the very few, less we believe than a half a dozen, Buchanan Democrats, who have been elected to the Legislature, hold the balance of power, and it is alleged by some, that, in obedience to the behests of their masters at Washington, they will go for staving off the election of United States Senator until after the election of another Legislature in Illinois. We have very little doubt that they will keep themselves uncommitted for the present, and for some time to come—that they will in fact hold out for the best reward they can get. They will eventually conclude to go either for or against DOUGLAS's re-election, accordingly as they can get the better terms from DOUGLAS or BUCHANAN. We hear whispers from high financial quarters that poor DOUGLAS's fiscal cable is about all payed out—that in fact he had to get it spliced in New York during the late Illinois canvass.—However, the President hasn't much the advantage of him in that matter, for his is all paid out too."

☞ The opening of the new Hall of the *Alpha Epsilon Society* has been unavoidably postponed until Saturday evening next, owing to the unfinished state of the room. An address will be read on that evening by G. H. WATKINS, Esq.

The hall of the Society is located in the third story over TRACEY & MOORE's, Main street, and is one of the largest rooms in the place. It is being fitted up in fine style for meetings, concerts, &c.

CONGRESS meets on Monday next, and, as the organization is already perfected, the message will probably be read on that day, and if so, we shall give it to our readers in next week's *Reporter*.

Already we have intimations from Washington as to the contents of the message. One rumor is that it contains an elaborate and highly colored statement of our complaints against Mexica, with the intention of preparing the public mind for another prospect of annexation.

☞ Attorney-General BLACK has recently given a decision in reference to the removal of the Capital of Kansas. The seat of Government was fixed in 1855 at Lecompton, in accordance with a law which required it to be permanently located before any appropriation by Congress for public buildings could be made available, and the buildings were erected there. In April last, however, the Legislature passed a law changing the seat of Government to Minneola. The Attorney-General decides that this law is void, and that the Lecompton must remain the capital during the existence of the Territorial Government.

SUNBURY AND ERIE RAILROAD.—Thirty-three miles of this road, from Williamsport to Farrandsville, is now almost ready for the rails.—The work will not be prosecuted while the frost is in the ground, but will be finished early in the spring. Upwards of sixty miles, at each end of the road, are now under contract and nearly ready for the track. There is great encouragement that the work will be finished at an early day.

SOUTH CAROLINA.—The Governor of South Carolina, in his recent message, questions the propriety of our Government interfering to check the slave trade, as carried on by the other nations. While the navy of the United States may, under the Constitution, be charged with preventing a slave trade between the coast of Africa and our own shores, it is policy to let foreign nations regulate their own affairs and enforce their own policy.

THAT TEST.—It *is* a little singular, slightly so, that while adherence to the Lecompton doctrine is presented to the North as a test of Democracy, Governor Hammond does not forfeit his standing by speaking in the most contemptuous manner of the whole Lecompton policy, and calling it as "reeking with blood and fraud."

THE AMERICAN AGRICULTURIST for December fully sustains the high character of the work as an Agricultural Journal. We have often expressed our estimation of the *Agriculturalist* that we shall not now reiterate our praises.—Address ORANGE JUDD, 189 Water Street, New York.

HON. T. L. HARRIS, of Illinois, member of Congress, from the Sixth District, died on Wednesday week. His disease was consumption, from which he had been for some time suffering, and his death was not unexpected.

TO SCHOOL DIRECTORS.

At the suggestion of the County Superintendent, we have printed an assortment of blanks in general use for school purposes, which we can supply to the Board of Directors of the different townships. One dollar will procure the following:—3 Bonds of District Treasurer; 3 Warrants to Collectors; 3 Bonds of Collectors; 32 Agreements with Teachers: and 48 School Orders. These will last for years, and will save time and money.

The State Superintendent, in his decisions, recommends "That Teachers' engagements with the Board of Directors should invariably be reduced to writing, and signed by the Teacher and the President of the Board before the Teacher takes charge of the School."

In addition to the above we have all the *Blanks* in general use by Justices and Constables, printed on good paper; also a quantity of *Town Orders* bound in books of convenient size.

☞ The steamship *Africa*, of the Cunard line, arrived at New York, Friday, with European advices to Nov. 13. They are of interest. The arrival of the steamship *Indian Empire*, which left New-York for Galway five weeks since, had not been reported at Liverpool when the *Africa* sailed. Mr. WHITEHOUSE informs the Directors of the Atlantic Telegraph that the clerks in the Valentia Office, a short time before their discharge, had maintained a conversation with Trinity Bay at some length; and he declares that with proper management the cable can be made to do enough business to pay 10 per cent. dividend, and lay by a reserve of £50,000 in six months. The Galway steamship project has been urged upon the French government by Mr. J. O. LEVER with promise of success. It is stated the French Trans-Atlantic mails are to be dispatched by that route, and the enterprise is to receive a handsome yearly subsidy. From Spain, we have further indications of the intention of that Government to press its reclamations upon Mexico with every available naval resource.—Aditional vessels had been dispatched from Cadiz, and others were to follow. The elections in Prussia, so far as heard from, had resulted in favor of the Government. From Asia the intelligence is important. Russia has established a factory at a new and advanced point in Western China. Count PUTIATINE has returned to St. Petersburg, bearing his treaty with the Japanese. Business at Canton begins to assume new vitality. Lord ELGIN still awaited the arrival of the Chinese Commissioners at Shanghae. The Franco-Spanish expedition had landed without opposition at Turon, in the Empire of Annam; and after taking possession of the territory in the name of the French, had advanced upon Hue, the Annamese capital.

☞ Three Jews—two of them occupying high places in the synagogue, and known as the Rabbi ASCH and the Rabbi ROSENTHALL—have been arrested in New York, on an accusation supported by the leading Rabbi of the Jews in that city, charging them with acting as agents of the Prussian, Hamburg and Saxony lotteries. Sergeant BIRNEY, with a portion of the Mayor's squad, "descended" on the residences of the accused, Wednesday night, and arrested two of them. One Rabbi was seized in the Synagogue, in Allen-street, where he was engaged in religious exercises, before a congregation of some 300 or 400 persons. The Jews were greatly excited, and denounced the incursion into their temple, and the audacity of the person who had accused their priest of wrong-doing. One of the accused was not arrested till Friday morning, when all three were brought before the Mayor, and admitted to bail in $1,000.

☞ A rumor prevails in Washington that the President intends very soon to receive Senor META as Mexican Minister, and thus to recognize the Government of JUAREZ, by whom he is accredited. This action, it is believed, will have a decided influence towards establishing JUAREZ as President of the Mexican Republic. The idea that Spain intends to declare and to prosecute a war against Mexico is not tolerated in Washington. Such a war would afford an opportunity to the fillibusters and revolutionists who have designs relative to Cuba to carry their plans into effect, and it is not considered probable that Spain, who must be fully aware of this, would commit an act so suicidal.

☞ FRED DOUGLASS delivers the second and third Lectures of the Course on Monday and Tuesday evenings, Dec. 6 and 7. The subject for the first lecture is—"*The Races*; or the Brotherhood of Man." For the second—"*Self made Men.*" Admittance to each lecture 15 cents; or tickets for both 25 cents.

We need hardly bespeak for *this* DOUGLASS a large audience; his history in Bondage and Freedom has already become well known, and his ability as a lecturer, under the circumstances, a wonder.

SUSQUEHANNA COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE.—The Winter Term of the Institute commenced yesterday, under the charge of DAVID CRAFT, A. B., Principal, assisted by a competent corps of Teachers; continuing 14 weeks, exclusive of a week's vacation at Christmas. As a School, the Institute is now in the full tide of successful operation, offering inducements not excelled by any similar institution in the coudtry.

☞ There was a great excitement at Pittsburg, Thursday, in consequence of the centennial anniversary of the settlement of that city, which was conducted with very great spirit.—Business was entirely suspended, and the largest and most imposing procession ever witnessed there, paraded the streets. It occupied an hour and a quarter in passing a given point.

☞ The Pike's Peak gold-mine excitement continues to rage violently in Kansas. A correspondent of the New York *Express*, writing from Lawrence, under date of November 12, says: "Eight members of the Lawrence company which went out last spring have returned within the past two days, in addition to 'Billy Parsons,' George Smith, and their companions who got in about two weeks ago. I have talked a great deal with the boys. They all expect to return next spring, They all bring specimens of gold, and its average is twenty-two carats. They appear candid and reliable, but are very enthusiastic; and their reports are generally accredited in Lawrence. Almost *everybody* here expects to go in the spring.—Unless something now improbable operates to throw a damper on the enthusiasm there will be a general rush to that region next spring than was ever witnessed *in this or any other country*. It is impossible to realize or conjecture what it may amount to. There are now some 1,600 persons *en route* for the mines.—Many of them will suffer great hardships, and send back discouraging reports; but they were very foolish to go out as late as they did."

PETERSON'S MAGAZINE.—This popular Lady's Magazine will be greatly improved for 1859. It will contain nearly 1000 pages; from 25 to 30 steel plates; and about 600 wood engravings. Mrs. ANN STEPHENS, author of "Fashion and Famine," and CHAS. J. PETERSON, author "Kate Aylesford," are its Editors, and write *exclusively* for it. Each will give a new Novelte next year; and they will be assisted by all the best female writers. "Peterson's Magazine" is indispensable to every lady. Its fashions are always the latest and prettiest; its steel engravings magnificent; its patterns for the work-table, its household receipts, &c., almost countless. The price is but *Two Dollars* a year, or a dollar less than Magazines of its class. *It is the Magazine for the times.* To Clubs it is cheaper still; viz: three copies for $5, or eight for $18; with a splendid premium to the person getting up the Club. Specimens sent gratis. Address CHARLES J. PETERSON, 306 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia.

☞ At the recent organization of the Indiana Legislature, the anti-Lecompton Democratic members united with the Republicans in electing the officers of the two Houses. The political complexion of the Senate is said to be as follows: Republicans 25; anti-Lecompton Democrats, 16; Lecomptonites 9. The House was also tied, as between the Democrats and Republicans, but the anti-Lecompton Democratic members outnumbered the Lecomptonites, in about the same proportion as in the Senate. It is considered doubtful whether new United States Senators will be elected to contest the seats of Messrs. BRIGHT and FITCH, on account of the difficulty of a union on candidates against them; but both branches of the Legislature have adopted resolutions declaring their election void and illegal.

☞ The body of the colored person, *Williams*, drowned at this place, was found last week at Standing Stone, and interred.

SINGULAR ACCIDENT.—The Ogdensburgh *Journal* tells a strange incident. The engineer of the 4 P. M. train from Potsdam, Thursday last, while crossing the "Hoton Bridge," near Antwerp, observed the singular spectacle of a man hanging from one of the beams thereof. The train was stopped, and the matter looked into. The man had evidently been dead but a little while. It was inferred that the man, while crossing the bridge, with the strap of the carpet bag around his neck, stumbled and fell. He pitched on one side of the beam and the bag on the other. The bag balanced the man and the strap being strong and fast around the neck, there was no help for him, and in this singular position he was found. There was no clue about him that indicated his name or home. He appeared to be a poor wayfarer, and was probably under the influence of liquor when he met with his mishap.

HORRID SUICIDE.—A young man named B. B. Hall, of Cypress, Miss., was ordered by his father to leave home, under the penalty of being cowhided. The father attempted to fulfil his threat, when the young man's mother interceded in his behalf, and was struck upon the head several times by the father, which the son seeing, he resolved to die by self destruction, rather than live and see his mother and himself imposed upon. He then took his gun, receded a few steps from the house, pulled off his shoes, and looked at his watch, giving himself half an hour for repentance.

THE TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLAR SALARY.—Mr. Moran is to remain in undisturbed enjoyment of his $25,000 per annum. The Executive Committee of the New York and Erie Road have decided not to meddle with it at present, as in he present embarrased condition of the road it is necessary to retain the servicessive compensation.

MLEANCHOLY AFFAIR.—Mr. Albert Close, of Greenfield, N. Y., having suffered much from the depredations of squirrels on his corn, which was stored in a shed adjoining his residence, procured a gun, a few days ago, and, loading it heavily, sent his daughter, about twelve years of age, into the shed to drive out the squirrels, while he took up a position outside of the building to shoot them as they came out. In this position he fired at the squirrels, when the charge went through the clapboards, taking effect in the head and neck of the child, lacerating it so terribly that she died in about twenty-four hours after the occurrence.

HIGHWAY ROBBERY.—We learn that as a constable of the town of Veteran was driving in a buggy near the village of Millport on Monday night, his horse was seized by the head and stopped, while another villain from behind seized the constable about the neck and drew him back over the of the buggy, when a third of the gang abstracted from his pocket some seventy dollars, and other papers of value.—Not the least trace has yet been discovered of the robbers.

Respecting the surviving members of the Gouldy family, in New York, so horribly butchered by a dissipated son, the *Herald* says:

We are pleased to record the rapid recovery of the surviving members of the late melancholy Gouldy tragedy. Mrs. Gouldy, the step-mother of the unfortunate young man, is convalescent. The dangerous wounds upon the head, and the bruises upon her arm, have been skillfully healed. Her health has greatly improved, so that she is able to walk about her chamber. Mr. Gouldy is also rapidly recovering: one of the wounds upon his head has been entirely healed; the other, and most dangerous, is in a fair way for healing. The brain protrudes very slightly, but is daily going down. Dr. Van Buren, one of the attending physicians, expresses his conviction that he will recover, although many weeks must pass before he can possibly regain his former strength. Mr. Gouldy's side is still paralyzed, but as soon as his wounds are well the galvanic battery is to be applied. Mr. Gouldy retains his faculties in a wonderful degree. He is able to converse freely on all topics. He has not yet been acquainted with the suicide of his son, which melancholy information will not be broken to him until there is every reason to believe that he will recover. The girl Murphy still remains in the New York Hospital, and her wounds indicate speedy recovery. Her physicians are very confident of saving her life. Young Nathaniel Gouldy is also convalescent—so much so as to be able to sit up his bed. His brother Charles is getting along slowly, but by constant care and attention the physicians hope to restore him to health.

THE South Carolina Legislature commenced ballotting on Saturday for a United States Senator, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Mr. EVANS. Two ballots were taken without any choice. The candidates are Ex-Governor ADAMS, Ex-Governor MANNING, R. BARNWELL RHETT, C. G. MEMMINGER, JOHN MCQUEEN, and Mr. CHESNUT. It is thought that Mr. RHETT's chances are the best, as he is more acceptable to the Conservatives than either of the others.

EFFORTS are being made to induce the Grand Jury of the United States Circuit Court, in session at Columbia, S. C., to refuse to find a bill of indictment against the mate and crew of the slaver *Echo*, recently captured on the coast of Cuba, and taken into the port of Charleston. Considerable delay has already occurred in the case.

DIED,

At his residence, in Avon, Oakland Co., Mich., Nov. 6, 1858, after an illness of about 25 hours, BENJAMIN HORTON, Esq., in the 75th year of his age.

Mr. HORTON was an old resident of Michigan, having lived here for nearly 34 years, beloved and respected as a man of strict honesty, a reliable friend, an obliging neighbor, a kind husband, and an affectionate father. He leaves the wife of his youth, and eight children, besides a large circle of relatives and friends to mourn his loss. He died quietly and in peace.

The deceased was born Nov. 10th, 1783, in Northumberland county, Pa. In 1809 he emigrated to Upper Canada, and was married the next year to Jane, daughter of Christian Zavits, of Wainfleet. (now Pt. Colburn, Lincoln county, Niagara district.) In 1820 he removed to Yarmouth, Elgin Co., and in February 1825, he came to Michigan where he has since resided.

Mr. HORTON has often been elected to offices of trust in his township, and he has always served his neighbors faithfully and well. During the last nine years of our Territorial organization he served as Justice of the Peace by appointment from Gov. Lewis Cass.

Thus, one by one, the pioneers of our State, and landmarks of its progress, are passing away. Let us imitate their energies, their virtues, and their hardy perseverance.—*Pontiac Gazette.*

☞ WESLEYAN FAIR.—The members and friends of the "First Wesleyan Methodist Church" of this boro, will hold a FAIR for the benefit of said church on the evening of THURSDAY, DECEMBER, 30, 1858.

There is a debt of two hundred and sixty dollars around said Church, and it is for the purpose of procuring means to pay it off that this Fair is to be held, and we earnestly appeal to the friends of humanity for help in this time of great need, we are few in number and very poor. It has been some time since we have called upon our white friends for help, and we now beg their aid; they have never turned a deaf ear to our wants and we trust they will not do so now. We hope that public confidence is not shaken in us, we are in your midst and are striving to our humble sphere to do good, to live soberly, industriously and righteously before God, and we trust no one can say our Church has not done a full share of her mission in this community. Her Sabbath schools and day schools have done a great amount of good, the Church and Sabbath school has never been in a better spiritual condition than at present.

Friends of the oppressed and downtroden race, to you we appeal for aid, for the few who are with you in this community, in their efforts to elevate and better the condition of their race,—Remember that "he who giveth to the poor giveth to the Lord." God loves the cheerful giver. Contributions will be received at the Barber's Shop in the basement of the Ward House, and the amount duly credited.

The Church books can be found there open to the inspection of all who wish to examine them

Towanda, Nov. 30, 1858. SOLOMON COOPER.

MORE NEW GOODS!

Consisting of

MERINOS,
POPLINS,
DELAINES,
ROBES,
DEMIMS,
SHIRTINGS,
10-4 SHEETINGS,
GLOVES,
HOSIERY, &c.

Just received and for sale by H. S. MERCUR.

BUFFALO ROBES.—The largest assortment in town, at Nov.30. MERCURS.

LADIES' AND MISSES WHITE AND Colored Lamb's Wool and Silk Warp HOSE, just received by Nov.30. H. S. MERCUR.

New Arrival of Clothing!

250 OVER COATS, ALL KINDS, AT COLLINS & POWELLS.

150 BUSINESS COATS, ALL GRADES, AT COLLINS & POWELLS.

100 CHEAP WINTER VESTS, AT COLLINS & POWELLS.

250 WINTER PANTS, AT COLLINS & POWELLS.

All the above articles were bought for CASH and are selling off 25 per cent. less than actual cost.

Towanda, Nov. 30, 1858. COLLINS & POWELL.

THE SECOND CONVENTION OF The Choral Union Association,

WILL BE HELD AT LERAYSVILLE, BRADFORD COUNTY, COMMENCING TUESDAY, DEC. 21, 1858, at 9 o'clock, A. M., to continue four days and close with a Concert, Christmas Eve, at which a selection of new music will be performed, the whole to be performed under the direction of Prof. GEORGE B. LOOMIS, OF NEW YORK CITY.

The session of the Convention will be devoted to the principles relating to singing, methods of teaching and training, and practice of exercises in vocal music by Prof. LOOMIS.

The "Jubilee and Festival Glee Book," will be used, with selections from other musical works—those having the above named books will please bring them—those who have not can obtain them of the Committee, at the Convention, at the publisher's prices.

The high reputation of Prof. LOOMIS as a performer of Vocal Music, and the success which has attended his former efforts in conducting Musical Conventions, gives assurance that this will be one of superior profit and pleasure to those attending. Arrangements have been made by the Committee, to furnish all members from a distance with good accommodation, at reasonable prices.

ADMISSION TO THE WHOLE COURSE:
GENTLEMEN.....$1 00
LADIES.....50

By order of the Committee of Arrangements.

LeRaysville, Nov.29, 1858. G. W. BRINK, Sec.