

REPUBLICAN COMPILER.

GETTYSBURG, PA.
MONDAY MORNING, DEC. 24, 1855.

NEW COUNTERFEIT.—There is a new counterfeit, which is well done and likely to deceive. It is a ten dollar bill on the Farmers' Bank of Virginia, payable at Blacksburg, vignette, two females in a sitting posture, the one on the right holding a rake in her left hand, the other one has a sheaf of grain upon her lap and a sickle hanging upon her left arm; steamboat, railroad cars, &c., in the distance. The names of the President and Cashier are engraved.—*Richmond Dispatch.*

☞The Philadelphia papers report counterfeit \$5 bills on the Central Bank of Frederick, Md.

☞The Democratic papers of this State in every direction are avowing themselves favorable to the nomination of Hon. James Buchanan for the next Presidency.

☞SENATOR DOUGLAS DECLINES.—The Chicago Times, alluding to the report that Senator Douglas would be a candidate for the next Presidency, contradicts it in the most positive manner.

HON. JOEL B. DANNER.—The gentleman whose name heads this article, has been mentioned by a number of Democratic journals in connection with the office of Auditor General of Pennsylvania. 'Squire Danner is the very man that should receive the nomination by the Democratic Convention. He has the ability and would discharge the duties of the office faithfully and creditably. We know of no man whose nomination and election would give us more pleasure than that of the Hon. Joel B. Danner.—*Hanover Gazette.*

☞The *Gettysburg Compiler* warmly and zealously advocates the nomination of JOEL B. DANNER as the next Democratic candidate for Auditor General, and many of the Democratic papers throughout the State have handsomely responded to the suggestion. Mr. Danner is one of the reliable Democrats of the State, and should be selected for this post, will make one of the very best officers we have ever had. The Democracy of Adams deserve some consideration at the hands of the Democracy of the State.—*Bedford Gazette.*

☞A suit was lately decided before Judge Pearson, at Harrisburg, in which the Bank of Chambersburg was sued for the amount of the penalty imposed by the 47th section of the General Banking Law, which requires that the country banks, east of the mountains, shall keep their notes at par in Philadelphia, those west of the mountains, in the city of Pittsburg. If any banks fail to comply, a penalty is imposed during such length of time as its notes may be under par, at the rate of two mills per annum on every dollar of the average amount of its circulation for the preceding year. The suit was decided against the Commonwealth, because of some informality in bringing it; but the following point, made by Judge Pearson as to the meaning of the words "at par," is of importance, if it is to be adopted as a general principle:—"The notes of a bank at par, within the meaning of this act, is whenever they are equal to gold and silver for ordinary purposes. The phrase 'at par' does not mean that the paper must be received in the custom house, at the city banks, or by the brokers. If the notes are equivalent to gold and silver for all ordinary business transactions, they are at par, within the true intent and meaning of the act."

HOW THE SUB-TREASURY WORKS.—The Boston Post says:—"It is said that Mr. Guthrie has effected all the transport of specie necessary for the operations of the government during the past year, not only without expense to his department, but under arrangements which have yielded a profit of \$10,000! What an outcry was made against the sub-treasury on account of the immense expense the carrying of specie would cost!"

☞The Board of Canvassers of the State of Wisconsin have declared Governor Barstow, Democrat, re-elected by 159 majority—beating the Republicans and Know Nothings combined.

☞McRea, Dem., for Governor of Mississippi, has 5113 majority over his opponent, the Know Nothing candidate.

\$1,750,000 IN GOLD.—The steamship Empire city arrived at New York on Monday, with the California mails of the 20th ult. She brings \$1,750,000 in gold, and 500 passengers.

WHEAT AND CORN.—The quantity of wheat in store at Oswego, N. Y., is said to be about \$20,000 bushels. About one-third of this amount is on millers' account. There is also in store nearly 100,000 bushels of corn for the Oswego starch factory.

A YOUTHFUL COUPLE.—A couple were married in Greenbush, New York, last week, whose united ages were one hundred and sixty-two years. Whether they got the consent of their parents is not known.

☞A matrimonial alliance of uncommon character has lately been effected in Fluvanna county, Va. Mr. Robert Grey, the gallant groom, is 95 years of age, and the late Mrs. Catharine Biley, (now Mrs. Grey,) 92 years of age.

SAD OCCURRENCE.—*Philadelphia*, Dec. 19.—Whilst the schooner H. and H. Goulds, of Orleans, Massachusetts, was coming up the river to-day, Martin Fenby, a sailor, fell overboard and was drowned. Capt. Gould leaped into the sea to save him, but the boat swamped and he also was drowned.

Why don't they Organize?

☞Those pure "American" patriots, about whose election to Congress so much rejoicing was had by the Samites, have been in session at Washington since this day three weeks, and have not yet succeeded in electing a Speaker—the first step towards organizing the House.—These are great reformers, the men who are to purify the political atmosphere and put down the wild hunt after office. Yet, remarks the Hagerstown Mail, they have so many candidates for the one office of Speaker, as entirely to eclipse the people's business. The scramble for the spoils is with these worthies more important than the public business. They have a beautiful time of it. Mr. L. D. Campbell, of Ohio, in withdrawing his name from the contest, thus gives the people one peep behind the curtain:—"Yet sir (said he) it is obvious to me that it is impossible for my friends to succeed, unless I take one of two positions—namely, either to repudiate my well-known position in reference to slavery and Americanism, or in some way, directly or indirectly, to make pledges in reference to the organization of the Committees, which would be a sacrifice of self-respect on my part, and make me, in my judgment, a fit object of public contempt."

Good Advice.
The Mississippian well observes:—"To our Democratic friends we would say, preserve your organization, keep your columns compact, and your eyes upon the foe. We have another important battle to fight next year; and let us not imagine that our wily and insidious adversaries will permit it to go by default. They may change their position some. They may sugar-coat the poisonous nostrums which they have so recently endeavored to cram down the throats of the people.—They may pretend to abjure some of the odious principles which have been spurned by the voters of the State. But let us not be deceived!"

Letter from Gen. Cass.
The following letter from this venerable Statesman and Patriot, will be read with interest by his friends and admirers in this quarter of our Union. It will be seen that the old veteran in his country's service declines being a candidate for the Presidency:

DEAR SIR, Nov. 23d, '55.
GENTLEMEN:—I have received your letter asking me if I am a candidate for the office of President of the United States, and expressing the gratification it would give you to support me for that high station.

While thanking you for this manifestation of your kindness and confidence, of which I shall always preserve a grateful recollection, I reply that I am not a candidate for the Presidency, nor do I desire that my name should be presented in connection with it to the consideration of the Democratic Party of the Union.

I am, gentlemen,
With great regard,
truly yours,
LEWIS CASS.

Andrew J. Wester, Esq., and others.

Roosters vs. Pollock.
A few weeks since, His Excellency, JAMES POLLOCK, attempted to address an exhibition of the "Shanghai" in Philadelphia, but they declined to hear him. All was quiet when the Governor entered the spacious building, but no sooner had he opened his mouth to speak, than all the Roosters commenced to crow, and continued to do so until they had "crowed him down." The Governor acknowledged the *corn*, and took his seat. Some say he afterwards retired to another room to take a drink!—*Bedford Gazette.*

☞The only chance (says the Lancaster Examiner) the Know Nothing State Administration and Legislature last winter had to affect the finances of the State, was in the expenses of government—and that item contrasts as follows:

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| 1854. | 1855. | Increase. |
| Ex. of Gov't, \$200,605 | \$330,081 | \$129,476 |

The increase of nearly \$40,000 in the expenses of government was the result of a Know Nothing Legislature.

☞CAN CONGRESS ABOLISH WITHOUT ORGANIZING?—This is the rather simple question asked by a correspondent. Certainly not; until organized, no appropriation for mileage or per diem pay can be passed, and under these circumstances, it is morally, physically, financially and personally impossible for Congress to adjourn without effecting an organization!—*Phila. Sun.*

AN ACCOMMODATING OFFICER.—As no money can be obtained from the United States Treasury for the pay of members of the House of Representatives until a Speaker of that body shall have been elected, the funds being drawn to his order, A. J. Glosbrenner, Esq., the sergeant-at-arms, with a view to the accommodation of the members, has paid out to them \$28,000 from his own resources.—*Washington (D. C.) Sentinel.*

THE BORDER TROUBLES AT AN END.—*St. Louis*, Dec. 19.—A despatch dated Independence, 18th, says that the trouble at Lawrence has been settled by the people promising to deliver the offenders, and obey the laws of the territory and to recognize the Governor as such, and conduct themselves in future as a law abiding people.—They refuse, however, to deliver up their arms. The volunteers from Missouri had disbanded and returned.

DR. KANE'S ARCTIC EXPEDITION.—Dr. Kane is busily employed on his work describing his last Arctic expedition, and efforts are being made by the publishers to have it out early in the ensuing year. The estimated cost of its production is \$20,000.

PEFFING AT AUCTION.—The Court at Reading, Pa., decided last week that the law does not allow "retitious bids" at auction, and that if "pullers" are employed the sale is void.

☞The Moravian church in York celebrated the one hundredth anniversary of their first place of worship in York on the 19th and 20th inst.

☞DR. PATRICK O'NEIL, a well known citizen of Frederick, Md., died suddenly on Monday of apoplexy. The deceased acquired an extensive celebrity by the invention of the medicinal specific known as O'Neil's Catholicon.

WASHINGTON NEWS.

WASHINGTON, DEC. 14, 1855.

Correspondence of the Republican Compiler.
My supposition that affairs in Kansas were not as bad as represented at first, is sustained by the most reliable intelligence that has reached this city from that quarter. Matters will have to assume a far more serious aspect than they now wear, before the President will comply with Gov. Shannon's request to order out the United States troops. It is true that outrages have been committed, but by pursuing a judicious course the Governor can bring the perpetrators to justice without firing a gun.

Did you ever see Horace Greeley? He has been here since the opening of Congress, doing his best to get a man after his own heart elected Speaker, but it looks as if he might as well give it up and retire in disgust. He is one of the oddities of Washington, and there are many odd things to be seen here. If you have never seen Greeley and wish to get an idea of his shape, just imagine the two hind legs of a Dromedary encased in men's clothing, a pale yellow pumpkin for a head, and the feet enclosed in boots big enough for an Elephant. "He has no hair on the top of his head, in the place where the hair ought to grow," but a whitish-yellow fringe runs around from ear to ear. He looks like a countryman of an inquiring turn of mind on his first visit to the capital, but is far more awkward and ungainly than most people from town or country. A distinguished Freesoiler has said the North wants "backbone." Greeley has re-echoed the sentiment. The remark applies to Horace himself, though not precisely in the sense in which it has been applied to the North. He goes lumbering along the Avenue, with his hat stuck on the back of his neck—where his backbone would begin if he had any—his head down, and his arms thrust to the elbows in the pockets of his old white coat. See him thus, and you would not bid six cents for him at public sale; but hear him talk, and however strongly you may condemn his sentiments, you will admit that there is marrow in the bones of that pale yellow head of his. ADAMS.

WASHINGTON, DEC. 15, 1855.
Correspondence of the Republican Compiler.
At the adjournment of the House yesterday, notice was given that a meeting of the "anti-Administration" members would take place in the evening. The design was to "harmonize conflicting interests," and so get hold of the flesh pots of the House to-day. The meeting took place pursuant to notice, and was very well attended. The participants had a lively time of it; they mounted each other, axe in hand, and chopped away with right good will, making the chips fly in all directions! A number withdrew from the meeting, and those who remained failed utterly to block out a plan whereby the House might be organized without further delay.

The House met at the usual hour to-day—12 o'clock—when various propositions for organizing were submitted and received with roars of laughter! There was some sharp sparring between several members, which afforded a good deal of amusement to the spectators and gave rise to no pleasant feeling between the actors.

John Wheeler, of New York, defined his position—past, present and prospective—in a rather prosy speech. He denied that he wanted to be Speaker, but said the House "might go farther and fare worse," for which information the House gave him a tremendous gulf-wind! Mr. English, of Indiana, made an earnest speech, throwing the responsibility of the failure to organize upon the majority, and insisting that the Democratic side of the House was not to blame.

Father Giddings responded that if the Democrats would just march out of the hall, the majority could elect a Speaker on the first ballot. This unique suggestion "brought down the house!"

A tall, well-dressed, elegant-looking gentleman, in a full suit of black, including black gloves, and whose name I do not know, proposed that the North should select a Speaker from the South, or the South select one from the North. You may bet all the money you have out at interest in the hands of delinquent subscribers, that this proposition was received with a shout!

Messrs. Marshall, of Kentucky, Letcher and McMillen, of Virginia, and others, participated in the discussions evoked by various propositions looking to a speedy election of Speaker. Mr. McMillen promised to submit a plan of compromise on Monday. Two more ballots were had, but without a choice. ADAMS.

☞The members of the unorganized House continue to talk and occasionally to vote, but are as far as apparently from an election of Speaker as ever. There is little or no change in the voting, and Mr. Banks, free-soil, does not appear to have gained anything, by desertions from Mr. Fuller on account of the latter's recent declarations against slavery agitation or attempts to restore the Missouri compromise. The ballot on Thursday resulted thus: Banks 104, Richardson 73, Fuller 34—the balance scattering. The Democratic phalanx is unchanged, and has lost nothing, while all the other parties have been disturbed by dissensions.

☞GEO. W. McCLELLAN has been Cashier of the Bank of Gettysburg forty-one years.—*Levittown Democrat.*

☞That's news in these parts. Wonder if friend FRYSTONER don't mean JOHN B. McPHERSON?

DIABOLICAL INCENDIARISM.—*Philadelphia*, Dec. 20.—An attempt was made at an early hour this morning to set fire to the "Northern Temporary Home for friendless children." The fire was kindled in the lower part of the house, but was extinguished before doing much damage. One hundred children were asleep on the upper floors of the establishment.

HORRIBLE MURDER.—The Yazoo (Miss.) Democrat chronicles one of the most atrocious and diabolical murders ever perpetrated in a civilized community. The act was committed on the night of the 20th ult. Young C. Boyard, residing near Benton, on the evening of the night alluded to, forcibly turned his wife out of his house, with the view of keeping her all night in the cold. During the night, when she supposed her inhuman husband was asleep, she crept softly into the house, and laid herself down on a sheepskin before the fire. Boyard was awake, however, and saw her enter; and after she had laid quietly down he arose, and taking in his hand a heavy maul deliberately beat her brains out. Boyard was apprehended the next day, and lodged in jail at that place.

DEATH OF ROBERT SCHUYLER.—We see it stated that Robert Schuyler, the noted New York financier who had fled to Europe, died in November last, in the 57th year of his age.—He had long suffered from ill health.

☞A shad was caught in the Savannah River, on the 7th inst., and sold for 245.

TOWN & COUNTY.

THE FAIR.

The Ladies' Fair at McConaughy's Hall opened on Friday evening, exceeding in every department the expectations of the most sanguine. The decorations of the Hall, designed by Mr. KELLER KURTZ, whose good taste is unquestioned, were universally and deservedly admired; and the large and varied assortment of articles displayed for sale "may be imagined, but not described." The attendance was very large, but good order prevailed throughout, and all seemed delighted.

Visitors, by seeing for themselves, will observe how much reason there is for pronouncing the Fair eminently successful—the most attractive, indeed, ever had in this place.

FANCY ARTICLES.—The entire east side of the spacious Hall is occupied with tables of Fancy Articles, of every conceivable device and for every useful and ornamental purpose, all gotten up in the neatest and most tasteful styles, and are sold at prices which cannot, as the merchants say, "fail to please." The ladies, too, are very attentive and accommodating, and have, of course, succeeded in making many sales.

THE REPRESENTMENT TABLE is also in excellent hands, and the quantity and quality of good things—delicious cake, fruit, confections, &c.—to be seen there, are enough to tempt the most confirmed dyspeptic.

OF TOYS there is an almost endless variety of novelties—many of them about as "cute" things as we have ever seen. The young ladies having charge of this branch are always ready to wait upon visitors, showing goods considered no trouble by them, as, indeed, is the case at all the other tables.

THE BOOK TABLE is supplied with a large collection of beautiful works, many of them designed for holiday presents, and all worth more than the prices asked for them. Connected with this department, is the ART UNION, for the distribution of a number of highly valuable pictures, in the highest style of the art; a pair of beautiful vases, albums, minor engravings, &c.—the whole numbering upwards of two hundred, and corresponding with the number of tickets, which are sold at 37½ cents each.

The ladies managing this branch are also indefatigable in their efforts, and have of course sold many tickets. The drawing is expected to take place to-morrow afternoon.

THE POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT is in careful and correct hands, and there are consequently no complaints of "letters' delays." We would advise all visitors to "inquire at the post office"—Ever Green P. O.—as they might, by neglecting so to do, fail to secure the favor of some anxious friend.

THE MARKET and EATING SALOONS are on the first floor of the building, and under the management of the very best hands the town could produce. Such at least is the opinion of the scores who have partaken of the edibles served up, and it is our's—and we consider ourselves something of a judge of "good vittals," although printers don't have them every day.

HOUSEKEEPERS' DEPARTMENT.—The Ladies acknowledge the following contributions to the Housekeepers' Department of the Fair:

- 1 pair fowls, 3 lbs. butter and 1 doz. eggs, from Joseph Bailey.
- 2 pair fowls, 2 doz. eggs, apples and celery, from E. W. Stahl.
- 4 lbs. butter from John Musselman.
- 1 box honey from Wm. Van Orsdal.
- 1 pair Shanghai from Alex. Kosser.
- 1 pair fowls from Hugh A. McGaughy.
- 1 goose and sausage from John Brinkerhoff.
- 1 pair fowls from G. W. Lott.
- 2 lbs. butter from Samuel Coburn.
- 1 box honey from Armstrong Taghinbaugh.
- 1 pair fowls and apples from John Butt, Jr.
- 1 pair fowls, 2 lbs. butter and dried fruit from Wm. Allison.
- 2 lbs. butter from Josiah Benner.
- 1 turkey, 1 pair fowls and 4 lbs. butter from Jacob Benner.
- 1 goose from Abraham Krise, of P.
- 1 bag apples from Joseph Weible.
- 1 bushel apples from Robert Shakely.
- 1 pair fowls from John McClary.
- Cream from Henry Culp, of P.
- 1 pair fowls from D. C. Brinkerhoff.
- Butter and potatoes from Jacob Buecher.
- 1 pair fowls, and eggs, from George Shryock.
- 3 lbs. butter, 1 doz. eggs, and apples, from Jacob Plank.
- 1 pair fowls from David Shriver.
- 1 pair fowls from Peter Mackley.
- Apples and potatoes from H. J. Stahl.
- 2 prints butter, 1 doz. eggs, lard, apples and cabbage, from Capt. John Myers.
- 1 pair fowls from Rev. Dr. Baugher.
- 1 bushel apples from George Weaver, Jr.
- 2 lbs. honey from Jacob Weikert.
- 2 lbs. butter and 2 doz. eggs from Jno. S. Crawford.
- 4 doz. eggs from John Gilbert.
- 1 pair chickens and a ham from Margaret Irvine.
- 1 bushel apples from Mary Ann Butt.
- 1 pair fowls from David McMillan.
- 3 fowls and 1 doz. eggs from Flemming Gilliland.
- 2 bushels apples, butter and chickens from Thomas J. Cooper.
- 1 pair fowls from Samuel Gallagher.
- 1 pair fowls from Elizabeth J. Walker.
- 1 pair fowls from Anna M. Maring.
- Cream from Peter Schively.
- 1 can peaches and 1 can tomatoes from Dr. Haber.
- 1 turkey, 5 lbs. butter and 4 doz. eggs from Christian Benner.
- 1 can peaches from George Wampler.
- 1 pair Shanghai from John Weikert.
- 1 pair fowls from Daniel Benner.
- 1 fowl and 1 doz. eggs from John Culp.
- 1 pair fowls from J. Cunningham.
- 2 lbs. butter from Hannah Beitler.
- 1 mammoth pumpkin from Samuel Weaver.
- Lot of very fine sweet potato pumpkins from Jacob Aughinbaugh.
- 1 pair Shanghai from Solomon Powers.

Further contributions will be acknowledged hereafter.

The Fair is advertised to continue open this afternoon and evening, and to-morrow, all day and evening.

☞On Saturday last, Mr. DANIEL BETTLER sold, at public sale, sixteen acres of land, immediately south of the Cemetery, for \$110 per acre—Capt. JOHN MYERS purchaser.

Hon. M. McCLELLAN has sold the brick dwelling nearly opposite his residence, to Prof. MENLENBERG, for \$1800.

☞A column of valuable reading will be found on our fourth page.

CHRISTMAS.

To-morrow is the anniversary of the birth of the Saviour of mankind. To the Christian world there is no occasion so full of joyous associations as this. Nor should there be—for every spiritual and immortal hope that thrills the heart, springs from the memories which it awakens. Bethlehem and Calvary, bounding the life and pilgrimage, and consecrated scenes which characterized the divinity of the incarnate Son, loom up from the past of eighteen hundred years, presenting anew the glorious plan and consummation of man's redemption.

Such are the reminiscences, which by common consent of Christian nations, have rendered this holy-day most appropriate for those accustomed interchanges of the kindlier feelings of our nature, which distinguish it. Friendship's offerings, the tribute of affection, the social and kindred reunions, are eminently consistent with, and indeed, are the results of bible religion. They gladden the heart of expectant childhood—elevate the aspirations of buoyant youth—and impart cheer to declining age.

Human happiness, remarks a cotemporary, is most intimately connected with these considerations. And as the sum of our joys is made up of little things, there are but few who cannot mutually contribute, in some way, to each other's good. The "Christmas gift," however small in itself, may possess a value of meaning, blended with the motive which prompts it, sufficient to solace, and even to enliven a troubled spirit; and the common salutations of this period, accompanied with the tender pressure of the hand, in token of sincerity, may suggest an incentive to the soul for the accomplishment of the highest purpose. The festive customs of Christmas and their attendant charities, are a part of our Christian institutions, and when properly regulated, give evidence of our appreciation of the Angelic proclamation which honored their commencement—"On earth peace, good will to men."

For the Compiler.

Acrostical Enigma.
I am composed of 21 letters.
My 1, 9, 14, 2, 12, is a county in Virginia.
" 2, 7, 21, 16, 6, 17, 9, was a Grecian Game.
" 3, 12, 17, 2, 4, is a county in Pennsylvania.
" 4, 17, 7, 15, is a river in Africa.
" 5, 9, 3, 12, 10, 2, 4, is a town in Massachusetts.
" 6, 21, 20, 8, 4, 15, 8, 10, is a mountain in Europe.
" 7, 2, 17, 20, 15, is a river in France.
" 8, 10, 14, 5, 2, 18, is a town in Pennsylvania.
" 9, 3, 10, 13, 20, 17, 11, is a country in Europe.
" 10, 6, 11, 20, 13, 9, is a town in Greece.
" 11, 16, 8, 7, 17, 11, is a country in Virginia.
" 12, 9, 6, 7, 15, 10, is a town in Italy.
" 13, 20, 8, 4, 13, 2, 12, is one of the capitals of the U. S.
" 14, 6, 18, 17, 4, is a country in Europe.
" 15, 9, 10, 13, 2, 4, is a town in Maryland.
" 16, 2, 4, 20, 2, 8, 4, is a county in Alabama.
" 17, 13, 19, 7, 21, is a country in Europe.
" 18, 9, 14, 3, 11, is a name of the Suez.
" 19, 12, 9, 20, 13, 8, 10, is a Decian tribe.
" 20, 8, 16, 2, 7, 17, 2, 20, is a Latin verb.
" 21, 10, 7, 15, is a flourishing College in the U. S.

My whole is the name of a flourishing Institution in the eastern part of Pennsylvania. A. K. S.

Answer next week.

ONE WEEK LATER FROM EUROPE.
More Peace Rumors, but Nothing Authentic.

HALIFAX, Dec. 18.—The *Canrad* steamer Asia arrived here this morning at 6 1/2 o'clock, with dates from Liverpool to the 8th inst.

The English papers are filled with peace rumors, but their assertions are totally at variance with the continental press. The London Times and De Israel's organ, the London Press, assert that peace is at hand—that Austria is about to address an ultimatum to Russia, summoning her, under a threat of breaking off negotiations with her, to accept such conditions of peace as the Western Powers are now willing to assent to, but which they will not agree to after another successful campaign.

The Berlin correspondence of the London Morning Chronicle says that Austria maintains the validity of the treaty of December 2d, and hence all attempts of the other German States to exercise a pressure upon the Western Powers, with a view to pacification, have been paralyzed. There are various reports of attempts at negotiation, but the state of affairs appears to stand thus: Austria has made a communication to France embodying the terms which she is prepared to propose to Russia as an ultimatum. France has submitted this communication to England, and both governments have it now under consideration. The terms are a great advance upon any yet offered, but they are terms for Austria, not Russia. Austria does not guarantee to join the allies if the ultimatum is rejected, but only to suspend her relations with Russia.

Private letters from St. Petersburg indicate no desire for peace. The overland trade was profitable and money was abundant.

FROM THE SEAT OF WAR.
Advices from the Crimea state that a weak fire was still kept up by the belligerents, but nothing of importance had occurred. The north side of Sebastopol was rapidly assuming gigantic dimensions. The preparations for destroying the docks were nearly completed. Breadstuffs are slightly declined.

DEATH OF THE WIFE OF LOUIS PHILIPPE.—The Paris correspondent of the New York Post, writing on the 29th ult., says:

It is reported at the moment I write that the poor Queen Maria has just breathed her last, at a country place, near Genoa, and that her two sons, Prince de Joinville and Duke d'Anville, who were notified of her illness by telegraph arrived at her bedside too late to receive her parting blessing.

☞Go to the Ladies' Fair.

The Railroad!
THE various Committees and other persons in whose possession the subscription Books of the Gettysburg Railroad Company were left, are requested to return them to the President or Secretary of the Board on or before Monday the 31st instant.

Let every effort be made before that time to increase the stock, as the amount on the lists then returned will determine whether the project is to go on or fall.

There will be a meeting of the Board of Directors at the office of the Secretary, on Tuesday, January 1st, at 10 o'clock, P. M. A full attendance is requested.

R. McCURDY, Pres't.
DAVID WILLS, Sec'y.
Dec. 21.

Election.
NOTICE is hereby given that there will be a meeting of the Stockholders of the Gettysburg Railroad Company at the Court-house, in the Borough of Gettysburg, on Monday, the 14th of January next, to choose a President and twelve Directors for the ensuing year.

DAVID WILLS, Sec'y.
Dec. 21, 1855.