## TERRIBLE CALAMITY.

## Burning of a Steam Ferry-Boat at Philadelphia-Many Lives Lost!!

PHILADELPHIA, March 16 - A terrible disaster occurred on the Delaware river last night, opposite this city. About half-past nine o'clock, as the ferry-boat New Jersey was crossing the river from this side to Camden, she took fire when in the middle of the stream, and after great difficulty, owing to the floating ice, was run upon the har opposite Arch street.

There were about 100 passengers on board -among whom the wildest consternation prevailed. Many jumped at once into the riversome clinging to the floating ice until rescued by small boats from the city-whilst others, not a few, it is feared, were drowned. The boat was burned to the water's edge in a short

me. PHILADELPHIA, March 16.—Nothing is yet definitely known as to the number of persons lost by the disaster on the Delaware. The only bedies recovered so far are those of John Little, of Camden, drowned, and an elderly man who was taken out alive but died soon after at the Arch Street House. Among the missing are Sallie Carman, of Caraden; a little daughter of Samuel Grierson, of Philadelphia; Edward Meschamp, formerly conductor on the Amboy Railroad; John Fidell, of Camden, and a large number of colored persons. The boat belonged to the Philadelphia and Camden Ferry Company. The loss of life resulted from the boat not being provided with either small boats or life preservers,

Captain James Robinson saved eight men and two ladies in a hoat which he launched with the assistance of another person. It is feared that the loss of life will reach fifty. Many persons leaped into the water with their clothes on fire. Miss Carman was last seen with her clothing in a blaze.

The Philadelphia Inquirer says: No sooner was the fire seen from the Jersey shore than vast crowds of citizens and their families assembled at the wharves, and intense anxiety, alarm and excitement prevailed; while the atmosphere was lurid with the balefires of death, and vocal with the shricks of the dying-perishing, too, beyond the reach of rescuing aid of friends. Women were seen wringing their hands, children calling for their fathers and mothers, and parents bewailing the supposed loss of their children. In the brief space of a tew minutes more than fifty of our fellow beings perished by fire or water. They met their sad fate within a few rods of crowded wharves and a populous city-and of those who are now numbered with the dead there is every reason to believe that at least thirty were residents of Camden. The Philadelphia Ledger has the following

detailed account of the accident: The boat was headed for the canal, but on reaching that point Captain Corson discovered that the ice was so jammed between the banks that to go through would be almost an impossibility.

The boat was then turned northward, so as to cross the bar some distance above Smith's Island. When nearly opposite Arch street wharf the boat was discovered to be on fire near the smoke stack. An effort was made to check the flames, but without avail. A scene of wild excitement ensued, the passengers all pressing forward to escape the flames and to be the first to jump ashore, as soon as the boat should touch the wharf, the Captain having directed the pilot to steer direct for the Arch street wharf. The fire had broken out amidships, in the immediate neighborhood of eight feet of the wharf. The passengers then the engine. It is believed that it originated in the fire-room. The flames spread with fearpidity, and in an instant, almost, the fire, wafted in that direction, had enveloped the entire after part of the boat in flames. Before reaching the wharf the fire was raging around the pilot house and the engine, and both the engineer and the pilot were driven from their the pilot and the engineer being unable to maintain their stations the steamer became unmanageable. When within about thirty feet of the wharf, the pilot house fell. A flood tide was running, and setting up the river, which caused the hoat to sheer off from the wherf, and float towards the island again .-Before this time, however, most of the passengers had jumped overhoard, some of whom in mane I to get upon cakes of ice, and others were taken from the water by persons in small boats. Mary of the passengers, among whom were some female; remained on the boat until the burning of their clothes drove them to leap

The pilot and two or three other persons succeeded in leaping safely ashore when the boat neared the wharf, but others fell short. and were either drowned or were rescued by those who were on the wharves and upon the vessels lying along them. Boats were put out from the shore as promptly as possible; a number of fire companies were upon the wharf, and some of the members were instrumental in saving life. Hose was laid in readiness for porting the water on the flames, in case the boat was secured to the wharf.

The boat floated over towards the bar, and finally lodged on the bar among the ice. She was towed afterward by a ferry-boat over to the Jersey shore, where she now lies sunk, her paddle boxes alone visible at low water.

Mr. Samuel Giberson, of this city, was on board with his wife and child, about 14 months -old; was separated from his wife when the fire was first discovered. He immediately made search for her; but getting in the midst of the excited throng, was hurned overboard without obtaining any knowledge of the where-abouts of his wife and child. He was soon rescued, and on reaching the wharf he was overjoyed to hear that his wife had been saved and taken to the Weatherby Tavern, but his child was drowned. Its mother held on to it until exhaustion compelled her to relinquish

On examination of the hull vesterday, P. M., the deck was so burned that it had fallen in, and no bodies could be found. Four corses the cars. The writer says: were seen on deck last night while the wreck was in tow, and it is presumed others with them have fallen into the hold, or been washed

from the wreck. Among the number who were active in saving the lives of the passengers were Mr. G. L. Flick, who rescued two; Mr. McEarn assisted in getting out six, Mr. Gillaguer two, and Thomas Murray, assisted by other members of the "Vigilant," refleved nearly a doz of

from their perilous situation. A yawl was launched by Capt. Junes Robinson, who, with the assistance of another gentleman, sived eight men, and two loates. He

also picked up a coat and valise. Capt. John J. House, of Camdon, and two others, were saved by Hugh McLoon, the watchman on board the "Morning Light." Mr. House, with several others, sprang upon a cake of ice, near the bow of the boat, just after her head was turned from the wharf, which was broken to pieces by the boat, and all that were with the Captain, it is supposed, were drowned. McLoon says he saw a number of persons jump overboard whose clothes were all in a blaze.

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chame, a conductor on the Ca adea and Alas through a hole in the millie of the road. he spring forward to the windward. He saw now paid to the gate-keeper by dropping the me captain in the pilot nouse with the pilot, money down the chimner !

Almost the moment the fire was discovered the boat was headed for the Arch street wharf.

A wild heart-rending scene of terror ensued. There were, as nearly as he could remember, over one hundred persons on hoard, including twenty to twenty-five ladies. By a common impulse they rushed to the windward to avoid the intense heat of the flames, which had now enveloped the whole after part of the doomed vessel. Mr. Agnew clang to the guards as long as he could. Around him, frantically endeavoring to wrench loose the stauncheons which were yet free from the devouring element, were the horror stricken passengers, who, but a few moments before, had been so full of hope and happiness. There was nothing that he could see save a bench or two that could in any way be made available

as a float or life preserver. The flames, as the wind drove them about, increasing in volume every moment, caught the dresses of the women, whose shricks for assistance were appalling. One young girl, Miss Carman, was the only one he recognised, and the last he saw of her she was enveloped in fire and screaming piteously. The scene was now almost too awful and appalling for reality. One by one-sometimes five or six at a time-they made the fearful leap from the burning wreck into scarcely less terrible chan-

ces of death amid the ice and water. The boat had struggled up to within twenty or twenty-five feet of the wharf, when the pilot-house fell, and all command of it being lost, it award out head down. There were at this time not more than six or eight persons remaining on board that he could see. He leaped into the stream, and says his only fear at the moment was of being struck by the wheels. He swam about one hundred yards, when he providentially reached the bow of a elipper ship and was rescued by the promptness of those on board. He is positive that not more than ten minutes elapsed from the time of the discovery of the flames around the smoke stack until the boat was completely wrapped in fire. The captain, as far as he could notice in the confusion, was doing his utmost to save the lives of those on board and the pilot remained at his post to the last.

The fire originated in the fireman's room; does not think the least blame can be attached to the captain or pilot; nor, to his knowledge, to any of the employees. The fireman's room was not fire proof. Mr. Agnew was at Bloodgood's hotel, foot of Walnut street, from whence, after receiving through the kindness of Mr. B. a change of clothing, he proceeded to Camden, to allay by his presence the apprehensions of his family regarding his safety. Mr. Agnew's friend, Conductor Meschamp, was unable to swim, and it is feared that he is

The engineer of the boat did not quit his post until he was forced to fly by the heat from the burning of his clothes. The pilot, Mr. few moments of the falling of the wheel-house.

MR. WM. COPELAND'S STATEMENT. I think there were fifty passengers, part of The boat left the wharf and got fast in the ice in the canal. They then backed out and undertook to go up the channel to go around the Arch street the fire was discovered blazing large family of children. around the smoke-stack. The engine was stopped, and in one or two minutes was started again. The pilot steered her straight for the Philadelphia shore, and we came to alongside of the foot of Arch street, within about

crowded each other overboard to get ashore. A few children were on board The boat was all on fire then, and a panic ensued. The flames were insupportable, and some of the passengers' clothing was on fire. I was on the pilot deck, and the flames had not reached that spot, but the pilot house was posts. The boat steered by tiller chains, but surrounded with smoke and flames, so that no person could remain there. The pilot remained until the smoke and flames drove him out. The engine run, and could not be stopped, in consequence of the fire.

The Latest-By Telegraph. PHILADELPHIA, March 17.—The calamity on the Delaware river on Saturday night, is

the absorbing topic of conversation.

Up to this morning nine bodies in all have been rescued. As far as has been ascertained the following are still missing: Samuel lie Carman, Chas. Beal, John W. Prince, Edward Meschamp, Henry Talarge, Elizabeth Fullerton, Mary E. Massey, Mrs. Shade, Miss Jones, Myer Rembeck, Albert Robinson and child, Samuel Grierson, Messrs. Clayton, Lodge, Charles Keyser, Sharpe, Oliver,

a German boy named Crisp, a colored lad and a young girl names unknown—total 29. Matthew J. Miller, reported missing, was saved. The bodies recovered are those of Mesers. Little, Jannie, Fitzpatrick, Sherman, Chapel Mission, Wm. Hank; Frederick Cir-Newton and McCaffrey, all white; and Messrs. Diggs, Bailey and Riley, colored.

PHILADELPHIA, March 17, 10 P. M .- Parties have been engaged all day in dragging the river for the victims of the disaster. Fifteen bodies have been recovered to-day, making twenty in all. It is feared that many more are left. There are thirty persons yet missing. of the disaster.

odies of the victims to the late steamboat disaster were found to-day. These make the

Terrible Suffering on a Railroad Train. A Buffalo letter gives an account of the ter-

rysburg from Monday noon till Friday night, John M. Jones; Shepherdstown, Elias Welty; to eat. There were 520 passengers and 400 Martinsburg, J. H. Brown; East Loudonn, S. employees, who took in the cars all the rest | McMullin, S. L. Bowman. Missionary to Chithey could get. During the time two children na, R. S. McClay. and the young man died-not entirely from cold and starvation, but fatigue and bad air, who was on board received a telegraphic dis- meet in the Baltimore City Station. patch that she had three children lying ill of searlet fever in Illinois. It was impossible to describe her agony at the constant detentions and long delays. The cars frequently ran off the track, and when replaced the wind would drift the snow upon the track and render it im- each day, not omitting a single day of the possible to proceed. We had the superinten- seventy-seven, making in all six hundred and dent upon the train, and fifteen locomotives to sixteen miles. 'If any of our subscribers can drive us-but there were some enormous drifts. One of them was 40 feet deep."

A Hand Wingen. - The snow-drifts are not confined to the railways. The Syracuse (N. ) Y.) Journal says that the plank roads in that ! Mr. Win. Agnew, a resident of Camden, section are in a bad fix, and aids that in one place the drates are so high that the gate-keeper comes up through the scuttle in the tool of his pers all concur in saying that there was not I was standing conversing with Mr. Mrs. house, and receives the toil by reaching up a solitary muss or fight on the occasion. A boy Rufroad, when he discovered the flower additions made to the drafts by the recent fall bursting ontaround the "smoke stock." Mak. have been so great that all communication gives much pleasure to chronicle. Jug an exela nation that the boat was on fire, through the scalile is our oil, and the toil is



COMPILER

GETTYSBURG, PA. MONDAY MORNING, MARCH 24, 1856.

For President.

JAMES BUCHANAN, (OF PENNSYLVANIA.) (Subject to the decision of the National Convention ) Canal Commissioner,

GEORGE SCOTT. (OF COLUMBIA COUNTY.) 'Auditor General,

JACOB FRY, JR., (OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY.) Surveyor General, TIMOTHY IVES. (OF POTTER COUNTY.)

The Post Master General has re-established a Post-Office at Piney-creek, Carroll county, Md., and has appointed DANIEL B. EICHOLTZ, Esq., Post Master.

A PROPHECY. -- In 1831, the eccentric Lo-BENZO Dow made a prophecy, that in 1856 the greatest flood since the time of Noan, would prevail all over the world. From the vast quantity of snow on the ground, and ice in the rivers, it would only require a couple of days' continuous warm rain from the Southwest, to produce pretty much of a flood in some of the United States.

THE MISSING STEAMER PACIFIC.-It is stated that the proprietors of the Collins line now entertain very little hope of the safety of the a committee of three members of that body Pacific. The return of the "Arctic," and the repeated arrivals of foreign steamers without any tidings from her are discouraging circum-

SUDDEN DEATH -Mr. WILLIAM MEHRING, of the vicinity of Taneytown, Carroll county, Md., was stricken speechless, by apoplexy, on Springer, remained at his post unfil within a Thursday evening, the 13th inst., after returning home in company with some friends, who mittee of Conference on the liquor bill, the had been spending the day with a neighbor | Committee as first constituted being unable to them colored; twelve or fitteen were females. of his. He continued to linger in this state, lagree. It is to be hoped that this question unconscious of any thing, until Sunday after- will soon be settled by the passage of a fair noon, when he expired. His age was about 50 bill. The House is disposed to act promptly, bar. When they got up about opposite to years, and he leaves a bereaved widow and a but a few dissatisfied members of the Senate

FATAL ACCIDENT .- On the 7th inst., the boiler of a Stationary Engine, used for the purpose of driving the Grist-and Saw Mill of Mr. Adams county, relative to the collection of GEO. HIMES, in Warrington township, York taxes in said county. What the petition procounty, exploded, and injured a son of Mr. H. poses, we cannot say. Can anybody explain? I suppose that at least two or three were to such a degree that he died in the course of a lew hours after the occurrence. He was about 23 years of age, and was highly esteemed for his many virtues. The accident was caused by the water being too low in the boiler.

Hanover, (brother of Mr. John Winebrenner, from the Philadelphia Convention. of this place,) met with a severe accident near the depot of the Baltimore and Susquehanna Railroad Company, about two o'clock on Tuesday afternoon. He had just arrived in the train of cars from Hanover, and was on his event has spread a feeling of sadness through way up North street, when by some mishap he was caught between two cars, and his left arm badly fractured. He was immediately conveyed to the office of Dr. L. W. Golds-Briggs, Jno. Parsons, Charles Wetherly, Sal- borough, where surgical aid was rendered, and he is now doing as well as possible under the

Methodist Church Appointments. .The following are among the appointments Weeks, Synberg, R. Riddle, Phomas Allen; of the Baltimore Conference of the M. E.

Church, for 1856, announced on Thursday last: Frederick District .- T. H. W. Mouroe, P. E .- Frederick City, Edwin Dorsey; Asbury cuit, O. Ege, A. J. Bender, J. R. Durborow, sup.; Emmitsburg, E. L. Kreglo; East Hillsboro', J. H. M. Lemon, one to be supplied; Boonsboro', C. Parkison, William Elliott : Hagerstown, E. R. Veitch; Hancock, W. Earn--shaw, B: G. W. Reid; McConnellsburg, J. The coronor is investigating the circumstances | Montgomery: Mercersburg, W. R. Mills, J. H. Clippinger; Chambersburg, D. Hartman, Philadelphia, March 20th.—Three more W. Howe, sup.; Waynesboro', J. H. C. Dosh; Alto Dale, Henry N. Sipes; Gettysburg, J. number so far twenty-seven. There are still Anderson, O. B. Thayer; Westminster, J. twenty-five persons missing, thus showing the Bowen, B. P. Brown; Liberty, H. G. Dill, L. loss of life to have exceeded fifty souls.

M. Gardner; Montgomery, C. A. Reid, L. D. Herron : West Falls, T. B. Chew.

York Springs, W. Gwynn, R. E. Wilson; tible suffering of a large number of passengers Carlisle, John Sting, H. W. Bellman, sup.; Mayor of Fredericksburg, Va., by 30 majority who last week left Hornesville for that city in Carlisle Circuit, C. Grabam, J. H. McGarrah, over Goodrich, Dem. Their majority last year S. W. Sears; Lewistown Circuit, F. Gearhart; was 167. "The train could not get through on the York, James Brads: Hollidaysburg, G. W. New York city road, and the passengers took Cooper; Mifflinburg, R. W. Black; Bloomsthe Eric road to Donkirk. They lay at Per- burg, G. Warren, S. Barns; South Baltimore,

In ease the present Conference be not diviand being sick when they started. One lady ded by the next General Conference, it will

> "WITO CAN BEAT IT."-Mr. JAMES HUGHES, of Emmitsburg district, has sleighed for seventy-seven consecutive days about eight miles beat that, let's hear from them.—Westminster

The York Firemen had a grand parade, "machine" for the Union company. The pa-The sign of reformation in that respect, which it adopted-

Texas during the late session of the Legislature. by the Rust.

The "Union-for-the-sake-of-the-Union" movement, started by the Know Nothing members of the Legislature, has resulted in this county as we predicted it would result. The clared in favor of Mr. Buchanan for the Presimeeting at the Court-house, on Wednesday; dency. This was encouraging-hut in addilast, for the purpose of sending Delegates to a tion we have now to record the pleasing fact so-called "Anti-Administration," but really that Maryland will probably go the same way. Know Nothing Convention, at Harrisburg, on At a large Democratic meeting in Baltimore the 26th instant, was one of the slimmest of all slim political gatherings, not a half dozen per- tion, and the Carroll County Democrat supports sons from the country, and we believe none but him in a strong article. Judging from the the K. N. leaders from the town, being present. tone of the press, north, east, south, and west, It was, in all its belongings, a rank fizzle. D. says-that paper, "there is scarcely a doubt as A. Buehler, Esq., was appointed Representation the nomination of Hon. James' Buchanan." tive, and D. Wills, Esq., Senatorial Delegate. "Mr. Buchanan will go into the Presidential The "union" was all on one—the dark—side. chair with an overwhelming majority." Ohio,

On Monday, Mr. Clayton addressed the United States Senate relative to the British construction of the Clayton-Bulwer treaty and Central American affairs generally .- He was gratified, he said, at the extraordinary degree of unanimity shown during the discussion in the Senate with regard to the construction of the popularity of Andrew Jackson, and Parson that treaty; and approved of the whole conduct of the administration in relation to the of their candidate for Vice President in the difficulties with England, eulogized Mr. Marcy's and Mr. Buchanan's State papers-was | Parson: gratified with the energy with which the administration had put down filibustering schemes, and denounced Walker as a ruffian. no partizan of the President, but when our foreign relations were conducted with such signal ability, he was willing to give the administration credit.

Mr. Douglas, from the committee on territories, reported a bill authorizing the people of Kansas to form a constitution and State government preparatory to admission into the Union as soon as she shall have the requisite popu-

The National House of Representatives, on Wednesday, adopted a resolution to appoint who shall collect testimony in regard to offairs in Kansas, and appropriating ten thousand dollars to defray expenses-104 years to 96 nays. The President is requested to furnish military, porters, who entertain such a holy horror of protection, if necessary.

The Legislature, on Saturday week adopted a joint resolution to appoint two additional members of each House on the Comwill not yield, and hence the trouble.

In the Senate, on Tuesday, Mr. Mel-LINGER presented a petition from citizens of

## Nominations Repudiated.

PAINFUL ACCIDENT -Mr. HENRY WINE- diating the nominations of Fillmore and Donel-BRENNER, a highly respectable gentleman of son, and endorsing the course of the seceders

> ENGLAND AND THE UNITED STATES. -It is stated that Mr. Buchanan's letters by the Arabia announce that the feeling in political circles in England is much modified towards the United States on the present differences. The reaction is even stronger than is indicated by the press, and is favorable to a reasonable adjustment. No difficulty is now anticipated on that score, although there had been no very recent conferences, owing to Lord Clarendon's absence at Paris. - Lord Palmerston's government is regarded as tottering; it having been twice beaten in Parliament, including the peerage question, and one police measure with-

ABOLITION PRESIDENTIAL CONVENTION .-Gerrit Smith and Lewis Tappan (white men.) and Dr. James M'Cune Smith (colored man,) and others, have issued a circular asking for names to be affixed to a call for a mass convention to be held at Syracuse on the 20th May next, "to nominate candidates for Presi--not merely anti-slavery candidates, but thorough abolition candidates."

Elections to Come. - New Hampshire having led off the pre-presidential elections, will be followed by Connecticut, on the first Monday of April, and Rhode Island the Wednesday ensuing. There are no other elections carlier than August.

John S. Caldwell, K. N., has been elected

SENTENCED -John W. Suman who removed his trial to Frederick county has been sentenced to the Penitentiary for 14 years and 2 months upon the seven indictments upon which he was found guilty.

RESTITUTION .- A man who, ten years ago, the nine Aldermen are Democrats. obtained by fraud from the Ætna Insurance Company at Hartford, Conn., the sum of \$2,-750, has lately returned from California so deeply penitent that he has refunded the whole

A DIFFERENCE.—The Boston Traveller says the coldness of the weather, and the amount of snow in the streets, somewhat surprised the passengers from England in the Arabia, who say that when they left Liverpool flowers were in full bloom. The Arabia left on the 1st inst. speedy departure.

HONOR TO GRINNELL AND KANE.-In the on Saturday week, upon the reception of a new New York Senate, on the 18th inst., resolutions complimenting Mr. Henry Grinnell, and appropriating money to purchase a gold medal to be presented to Dr. Kane, were unanimously

IF Why is Horace Greelev like a field of Sixteen new counties were formed in damaged wheat! Because he has been struck Mr. Buchanan's Prospects.

We have already mentioned-that the Democrats of the Legislature of New Jersey have deresolutions were passed in favor of his nomina-Virginia, Iowa and Maine appear, also, to be sound. With such indications of popular sen-'timent, we think the nomination of our favorite statesman may be considered almost certain.

Andrew Jackson donelson.

The Know Nothings hope to gain much from Brownlow says it is arranged to print the name above style, to make it run well. Hear the

"It has been understood as arranged that Major Donelson would be put on the ticket with Andrew Jackson in big letters and Donelson in- jority of the opposition. Still, it was a good visible, and then the old line Democrals would buccancer and pirate. He (Mr. Clayton) was think that Old Hickory had come to life again."

The New York Mirror says: know less, and shall say less to-day. He has 80 majority. a good name, and hails from the sunny side of the "division line." It is presumed that in the approaching campaign, a large proportion of the benighted Dutch Democracy of the interior ces. This is attributable to the fact that, in a of Pennsylvania will vote the American ticket number of cases, the Borough tax of voters was under the impression that they are again voting for 'Old Hickory,' of blessed memory.'

The result will show that these gentlemen are placing too much reliance upon Donelson's prefixes, and the supposed greenness of "the benighted Dutch."

Mr. Fillmore is now at Rome, being feted and feasted, and made the object of marked attentions on the part of the illustrissimos of the Eternal City. His Know Nothing supthe Pope and his followers, certainly cannot rest easy under such a state of things. What an awful commotion it would create, if Mr FILLMORE were to return home an out and out Papist, or even a Puseyite-and what a gathering of the clans there would be, in order that the fold might be cleansed from such an impurity! Stranger things have happened, and the Know Nothing gentry ought not to be content, when Mr. F. again touches our shores, until they are satisfied that he continues 'sound on the goose question.'-Pennsylvanian.

The Newburyport Herald, Whig and nothing else, weighs the Know Nothing nom-Columbu's, Ohio, March 21.—The Know smiled upon by Gen. Jackson; but if the spirit Nothing State Council last night, after a rapping theory is true, it is wonderful that old stormy session, adopted the majority report of Jackson's spirit has not knocked out his brains the committee appointed on the subject, reput before this. Probably it would, if he had any ment about the Hermitage estate.

The New Hampshire Election.

CONCORD, March 17.—Returns from 219 towns give Metcalfe, Know Nothing and Republican, for Governor, 30.980; Wells, Democrat, 31.490; Goodwin, Whig, 2,337; scattering 140. There are yet ten towns to hear from, which will not materially vary the result.—The Legislature may be able to elect Metcalfe-but it will be close. Last year the Know Nothings had upwards of 10,000 majority in the State.

Among certain startling predictions concomposed of water, snow and ice, which, at they have nothing to boast of. some future time, may descend and deluge that planet, as ours was deluged in the days of majority, as usual. Noan. Some experiments recently made, would seem to indicate that this event is likely to take place a little sooner than was anticipa. have received up to the hour of going to press.

ted. Mr. Otto Struve and Mr. Bond have dent and Vice President of the United States Tately studied, with the great Munich telescope, at the observatory of Pulkoway, the third ring of Saturn, which is discovered to be fluid .-These astronomers are of opinion that this fluid ring is not of very recent formation, and that it is not subject to rapid change, and they have come to the extraordinary conclusion, that the inner border of the ring has, since the time of HUYGENS, been gradually approaching towards the body of Saturn, and that we may expect, sooner or later, perhaps in the course of a few scores of years, to see the rings united with the body of the planet. Of course, in thus introducing analogy between the operations of nature in that planet and our own, it is inferred Judge FISHER and his Associates, commencing that the earth, previous to the deluge, had on Tuesday, closed on Thursday morning.rings like those of Saturn, and wore them in . We believe the entire argument list was disthe same manner.

> Col. J. H. Brown, Dem., has been elected Mayor of Galveston, Texas, and eight of

More Snow.—In Dickins' last Christmas Story, in speaking of a snow-storm, he says -"And it snowed, and snowed, and snowed, truth, use the same language. It commenced "Airy egg!" to snow on Tuesday night, "and it snowed, and snowed, and snowed, and still it snowed," until Wednesday noon. At this writing, however, the bright sun, and songs of the spring birds, lead us to look hopefully for old Winter's

OVER A MILLION IN GOLD RECEIVED .- The steamer George Law, with the California mails, trought 310 passengers, and \$1,219,053 in

It is said the Sultan of Turkey will soon visit Paris and London, to personally thank

Wild pigeons again about.

aid against Russia.

LOCAL ITEMS.

BOROUGH ELECTION. -The following is the result of the Election held in this Borough on Friday last:

Know Nothings. Democrats. BURGESS,

David Ziegler, Sr., 146 | John Culp, Jacob Culp. 3 v., 144 | Rob't Cohean. 3y., 178 And. Polley, 3 y., 147 | Wm. B. Meals, 3y., 175 Geo. Shryock, ly., 142 | John Rupp, 1 y., 175 SCHOOL BIRECTORS, Henry G. Carr, 148 | John L. Hill, William McClean, 152 | David McCreary, 190

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE.

H. Buch'n Danner, 168 | George Arnold, 179 -Ji:D(;R-155 | John L. Tate, Jacob Troxel, 189 INSPECTOR, William H. Culp, 157 | E. Z. Little, 185 ASSESSOR.

George Geyer, Jr., 154 | Daniel Trimmer, 190 CONSTABLES, Lewis Myers, 141 | Peter Myers Jas. Bowen, (Ind.)153 John Barrett,

Taking the vote on the Inspectors as the best test of party strength, it will be seen that the Know Nothing majority is but 28-last year it was 105! The Democratic candidate for Justice of the Peace is beaten but 11 votes. There were enough Democratic votes back, by reason of neglect, illness and temporary absence from town, to more than equal the maday's work for the Democrats, and particularly so when it is recollected that the lowest man-"Of the candidate for Vice President, we on the Know Nothing ticket last spring had

> The vote for Burgess and Town Council falls considerably behind that cast for the other offinot paid, and without paying it they were doprived of the privilege of voting for either Burgess or Town Council. Some were not assessed for said tax, which also deprived them of the privilege. The candidates for those offices were as unexceptionable as any others the town could produce.

> The Know Nothing majorities in Com-BERLAND township range from 18 to 26-last spring we believe their majorities averaged something like 30. So that, after all their night caucusing, incessant electioncering for weeks, and their full vote, the dark lanternites have more to feel "down-in-the-mouth" about, than crow over. "There's a better day coming," even for the Democrats of Cumberland.

The result in "OLD STRABAN" is peculiarly gratifying, and shows what our friends in that township can do with a little effort. The average Democratic majority obtained on Friday is 42, and this in the face of the most desperate exertions of the dark lanternites, who evinced a determination to defeat Col. NEELY, the Democratic candidate for Judge, at any and every sacrifice; and no doubt expected to distance a inees thus: It is probable that Mr. Fillmore part, if not the whole of the Democratic ticket. will decline the nomination as soon as he hears. But their plots all fell widely of the mark -even of it. He is now in Europe. If he does not it the counsel and advice of their leaders here. is all the same. Mr. Donelson was once in this Borough, so frequently asked and freely given, availed them nothing : Col. NEELY is handsomely elected!!!

From Menallen we hear that the Know. Nothing majority is but 40 or 50-a greater to spare. All that we ever knew of his doings falling off in the dark lantern strength than was to bankrupt the old hero by his manage- the most sanguine Democrat could have looked for. The Democrats elect a Supervisor and

> In Mountjor, the Democrats elect their whole ticket by majorities ranging from 15 to 27!-a most gratifying result. Last spring the Know Nothings had from 20 to 25 majority. The Democrats in Butler have greatly 1educed the Know Norhing majority, and elected

a part of the officers. She'll do! A part of the Democratic ticket is elected in HAMILTONBAN, the balance running very close. The Know Nothings had made their calcula-

tions to carry their ticket sweepingly. The Know Nothings have elected their ticket tained in the work entitled "A New Theory of in FRANKLIN, by a small majority. Here, too. the Creation and Deluge,"it is stated that it is they counted upon beating the Democrats at a probable the rings which surround Saturn are crushing rate, but after all their exertions.

In Tyrone, the K. N's. have from 25 to 30

The above embraces all the information in reference to the Spring Elections which we REMOVALS .- Subscribers who intend

changing their-places-of-residence-this-spring, will please inform us of whatever changes they may desire us to make in the direction of their PROSECUTING ATTORNEY .- WM. B.

McClellan, Esq., was, on Wednesday last. chosen by the Court. Prosecuting Attorney of this county, in place of JAMES G. REED, deceased—to serve until the October election.— The Associate Judges voted for Mr. McClet. LAN, and the President Judge for WM. Mc-CLEAN, Esq.

COURT .- The Argument Court, held by posed of.

"GOOD EGGS."-Mr. Joun G. GILBERT, of Straban township, brought to our office one day last week, six hen eggs, which we thought about as hard to beat as any other half dozen we had seen for many a day. Their combined weight was sevenleen ounces, and four of them and still it snowed." We can also, with much i measured 7 by 8½ inches in circumference each.

SOLD AGAIN.-We learn that the farm and Mill property, belonging to Mr. ISAAC KREBS, (formerly Bittle's,) was sold at private sale, a: few days ago, to Mr. John Coshun, of Hanover, for the sum of \$2500.

The partnership of D. A. & C. H. Buen. LER, in the publication of the "Star," has been dissolved, and the "senior" is now sole proprietor. The "junior" intends retiring from the printing business.

MIT. PERRY J. TATE Was, on Friday even Louis Napoleon and Queen Victoria for their ing, elected Quarter Master of the Blues. Mayor Conra I. of Pailadelphia, declines

a re-nomination. Prodent.