THE COMPILER.

"LIBERTY, THE UNION, AND THE CONSTITUTION."

GETTYSBURG, PENN'A.:

Monday Morning, Jan. 26, 1857.

TRAITORS.

GEO. WAGONSELLER, of Schuylkill,
WILLIAM B. LEBO, "
SAMUEL MANEAR, of York.

☞The probable political complexion of the U. S. Senate on the 4th of March next, if all the vacancies are filled as expected, will be as follows: Democrats 37; Republicans 20; Know Nothings 5.

☞Col. GEORGE SCOTT, the newly-elected Canal Commissioner, was qualified on Tuesday week, and took his seat in the Board. Col. HENRY S. MOTT was elected President, and THOS. L. WILSON was re-elected Clerk. The Board now consists of Messrs. MOTT, PLUMER and SCOTT. Col. SCOTT is a gentleman of sterling integrity, is practically and thoroughly posted upon the workings of our State improvements, and will make an able and efficient officer.

Tonnage Tax.

We perceive that an effort will be made in certain quarters to induce the Legislature to repeal the tonnage tax on the Pennsylvania Railroad. Similar attempts have been made upon preceding Legislatures, but hitherto with only partial success. The tonnage tax is an important item in the revenues of the State, and we trust the Legislature will be in no hurry to remove it.—*Harrisburg Patriot.*

☞We trust so, too.

Lobby and Special Legislation.

The Philadelphia *Times* contains an article under the above caption, which says, "The unsophisticated public would be hugely astonished at the numerous fees, perquisites, and sums of money slyly put into the pockets of their representatives, and willingly accepted by them. Bribery is a hard word to use—but it is a lamentable and shameful fact, that members of the State Legislature and members of Congress are bribed—aye, *bribed*—into the support of many bank and railroad and land bills, which would otherwise be rejected. And the worst of it is, that bribery has been organized into a system. All members of our Legislatures are exposed to temptation, and too many systematically abuse their functions so as to get rich."

Another Inauguration Ball.—It will be remembered that the Democratic Association of the Twelfth Ward of Philadelphia are to give a ball in this city on the third of March next in honor of the President elect, James Buchanan. The old theatre building on Louisiana avenue is engaged for the occasion. Its upper and lower rooms are sufficient to accommodate two thousand persons. We doubt not the citizens of the metropolis, and especially the Pennsylvanians residing here, will contribute all they can to make this a gay and brilliant ball. The price of the tickets will be five dollars. Fifty citizens of Washington and Georgetown have been appointed managers to act in conjunction with a like number in Philadelphia.—*Washington Star.*

☞A Washington letter states that Mr. Cadwalader, member of Congress from Philadelphia, who recently made a speech *against* Know Nothingism, was shot at in the evening while walking on 14th street, and the ball passed close to his head.

Counterfeits.

Bicknell's Detector gives a description of three dangerous counterfeits:

Harrisburg Bank—10's spurious. Vignette, female, figure 10 above, male and female on the right, canal on the left.

Columbia Bank—5's spurious. Vignette, three female figures—on lower right end, medallion head of Washington; on left end, five large female figures.

Girard Bank, Philadelphia, Pa.—10's—general appearance good; can be detected by noticing on right end two figures, male and female, embracing—on the genuine, there is a medallion head of Girard; also on the good notes, the word Ten around the margin is in large letters—on the counterfeits they are quite small.

☞Rev. Isaac *H.* Kelso, better known as the author of that infamous Know Nothing work entitled "Danger in the Dark," some time since sued Robinson & Sharp, proprietors of the Cincinnati *Enquirer*, for libel, on account of strictures published upon the author in connection with the work, and has obtained a judgment for one cent damages. Not much "danger in the dark," after all.

☞During the late Presidential canvass, and at the moment a gallant Senator from the South was proclaiming the certain election of Mr. Buchanan, a feather dropped at his feet, from the wing of an eagle that was flying over. The gentleman preserved the quill, and, to-day, had it forwarded to Mr. Buchanan, to write his inaugural address with. It was not plucked by man from the wing, but was the free *gift* of our national bird.—*Wash. Cor. Alexandria Sentinel.*

The Lancaster Intelligencer says the above statement is correct. Senator Brown, of Mississippi, is the gentleman referred to. The quill is now in possesion of Mr. Buchanan, at Wheatland, where we saw it on Friday last, and, in accordance with the request of the "gallant Senator," it will be used by the President elect in writing his Inaugural Address.

☞Lebo, Manear, and Wagonseller, were burnt in effigy in Baltimore on Tuesday night week.

Col. John W. Forney.

☞The defeat of Col. JOHN W. FORNEY for United States Senator will only endear him the more to the Democracy of Pennsylvania. His services to the party, his integrity of character, and his high sense of honor, have secured for him the admiration of all true Democrats, and the respect of the honest men of all parties. Col. FORNEY is emphatically a self-made man—the architect of his own fortune. He possesses indomitable energy, and is one of the ablest writers in the United States, as the opponents of the Democratic party in this State, who have felt his keen blade, can testify. His defeat, we repeat, will only cause the Democracy of his native State to cling the closer to him, and they will rejoice together when they see him placed in a position commensurate with his worth and talents. The Black Republicans, if they expect to crush Col. FORNEY, by means of bribery and corruption, have counted without their host. We would rather a thousand times, occupy his position to-day, than that of his successful opponent, who will sneak into the Senate Chamber like a thief in the night, there to insult by his presence, the wisest and greatest men of the nation.

THE TRAITORS AT HOME.

On the evening of the 14th inst., the Democrats of Schuylkill county, where LEBO and WAGONSELLER live, held a meeting at Pottsville, in which the leading Democrats participated, where their traitorous Representatives were strongly denounced. Denunciatory resolutions were passed and ordered to be sent to every Democratic member of the Legislature. Among the resolutions we find the following:

WHEREAS, The Democracy of this county have been astounded with the information that the persons elected to the House of Representatives of Pennsylvania from Schuylkill county, have perpetrated the crime of a most gross and flagrant betrayal of the known wishes of the party who have elected them, and their own solemn and oft-repeated pledges, by voting for Simon Cameron for United States Senator, after his open and notorious action as a leader among the Know Nothing and Black Republican Fusionists of this State, in opposition to the Democratic party, and the integrity of the United States.

Resolved, That the conduct of Wm. B. Lebo and George Wagonseller, in connection with another traitor from York county, in voting for Simon Cameron for United States Senator, in known and open defiance of the wishes of the entire Democracy of Schuylkill county, is a direct violation of their repeated assurances and professions before their election.

Resolved, That for such traitors we know of no adequate punishment provided by law, and can only express the execration of a deceived and outraged constituency, who will treat these Arnolds and Georgeys with exclusion from all social and political intercourse.

On Saturday evening week, the Democrats of York county assembled in large numbers, in York, and passed among others, the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the conduct of *Samuel Manear*, in voting for the Black Republican-Know-Nothing candidate for the Senate of the United States, in open defiance of the wishes of the entire Democratic party of this county, and in direct violation of his often repeated pledges, is an act of Treason and Infamy that will sink him to the lowest depths of degradation, and make his name despised and scorned by all honorable and high minded men.

Resolved, That *Lebo* and *Wagonseller* of Schuylkill county, the infamous associates of *Manear* in his depravity and villainy, are deserving of nothing but scorn and contempt and should be shunned and loathed by every honest man as a destroying pestilence, which carries terror and contagion on its poisonous wings.

Resolved, That Samuel Manear be requested to resign forthwith and permit the seat which he now occupies to remain vacant, so that the pollution of the traitor may no longer be an eyesore to his honest and faithful colleagues and a disgrace to the State Capitol.

Resolved, That the open boast of *James M. Anderson*, of Carrol township, that he had the entire control of Manear, and yet refused to exercise his influence to save the party from betrayal, although at Harrisburg, has forfeited the confidence of the Democratic party.

Resolved, That the Democracy of York County, now assembled in County Meeting, hereby revoke the appointment of James M. Anderson as Senatorial Delegate to the State Convention, which assembles on the 2nd of March next, and appoint Maj. Charles M. Smyser, of the Borough of York, in his stead.

The reading of the resolutions was frequently interrupted by applause, and were adopted without a dissenting voice and amid great cheering—when the assemblage adjourned to the Centre Square, where Lebo, Wagonseller, and Manear were burned in effigy, in the presence of a large crowd of citizens.

☞That the election of *Simon Cameron* to the United States Senate—the highest legislative branch of the National Government—is an outrage upon the character of the Commonwealth, and a foul blot upon her honor, no right-thinking and properly-informed man will allow himself to doubt. Aside from the antecedents of the political JOBBER, Cameron, himself, the *base* and *corrupt* means by which his election has been secured ought to connect with the very mention of it terms of earnest and indignant denunciation. And yet there is a class of mean-minded Know Nothing Black Republican editors who seek to palliate the infamous transaction, by doing, what?—not by lauding good qualities in Cameron, for he has none; not by putting the choice upon the ground of expediency, for there was no such ground; but, by *abusing* Col. FORNEY, his opponent! A more damnable subterfuge never entered the heads of bad men—a grosser wrong could hardly be conceived, and could only be perpetrated by the worst of our race, whose hearts are dead to every honorable feeling, and who are as destitute of principle (and under like circumstances, would be as easily BOUGHT) as *Wagonseller, Lebo*, and *Manear!*

Capital.—The Conneautville *Courier* gravely tells its readers that, "during cold weather, all persons should be careful to avoid falling upon the icy streets." This is capital—especially as self-preservation would seem to admonish us all to "avoid" breaking our necks, "during cold weather," or at any other time!

What was Thought of Cameron, two years ago, by his Present Friends!

OUT OF THEIR OWN MOUTHS ARE THEY CONDEMNED!!!

From the Gettysburg "Star and Banner," of February 23d, 1855.

U. S. Senator.

☞Tuesday next is the day to which the Senatorial Convention stands adjourned, when another effort will be made to elect a United States Senator. Opinions vary as to the probable result, although the prevalent impression seems to be adverse to Cameron's chances. If the anti-Cameron Americans and old-line Whigs and Democrats can unite on an acceptable candidate, Simon is gone. But this we take to be improbable. The most likely result will be a failure to elect, and a postponement of the issue until next winter—which is probably the best that could be done. In the mean time the press of the State, with unusual unanimity and severity, is down on Cameron and all connected with him. He fares badly alike with Whig, American, and Democratic editors, and if the Press has half the potency over the Legislature it should have, Cameron cannot be elected. As a sample of the tone of the Press of the State, we annex the following strong article from the Lancaster Tribune:

SIMON CAMERON AND THE U. S. SENATE.

If the question were submitted to the voters of Pennsylvania, whether Simon Cameron should be United States Senator, we are confident that there would not be 25,000 affirmative votes, and yet he has contrived to get a nomination in an American caucus, and to receive 59 votes in open convention. How has this been effected? No one gives him credit for any ability, (except cunning,) for learning or general information. Perhaps by looking at some other candidates and their means, some light may be thrown on the subject. A man by the name of David Jayne, who is reported to have made a fortune by compounding Sarsaparilla, Burdock, Elder blossoms, Plaintain, and other cow fodder, having heard that offices were sold at Harrisburg, repaired thither, and caused proclamation to be made that he had more money than Cameron! And ten men were actually found to vote for him in caucus. It needs no witness to prove what convincing arguments were addressed to them.—The same men, after having fulfilled their contract, improved their time by voting on the other and final ballot, for Cameron.—They were shrewd operators!

Look at a few of the districts that supported Cameron. The whole valley of the Juniata ran corruption. We do not mean that the worthy members of the District were corrupted—but we *do* mean the influential citizens who attended as borers, and influenced the members, did it for a consideration. What operated on the members of the Western slope of the Allegheny—of Anti-Slavery Indiana, Allegheny and Washington—to make them fall in love with a Nebraskal? We are aware that they boast there that they have fortified themselves by having in their pockets Cameron's pledge to go for the repeal of the Nebraska law, to move and support the repeal of the Fugitive Slave law, to prohibit slavery in the Territories, and resist the admission of any slave States into the Union. They well know the sincerity of such pledges, given at a pinch, by a man who lobbied at Washington for the repeal of the Missouri Compromise, and who in September last, helped to pass resolutions endorsing such repeal, and denouncing Know Nothingism. We doubt not if they will pick the pockets of the Democrats who voted for him—Frailey, Sallade, and others—they will find them equally well fortified with pledges of directly contrary tenor.

But why need we speak of other districts? Let us take shame unto ourselves, and roll ourselves in sackcloth and ashes, all of us, for we are all guilty, for having voted for North, Gross, Shuman and Killinger. In a district which on a direct test would not give Cameron one thousand votes out of twenty-five thousand, four of her representatives have dared to vote for him in open day! Two of them have drawn their last official breath. The other two will linger a little longer, because the people will have no opportunity to slaughter them. It was not to be believed that any men would violate all previous solemn pledges.

But let us pause and wait. We yet believe many will reverse their steps. One thing is beyond a doubt—whoever hereafter is added to Cameron's forces—whoever votes for him who has not already done so, will be known as a purchased commodity. We believe none such will be found.

Don't Drown Them.

Several weeks ago we said that any *Democrat* who would support the opposition candidate for Senator, ought to be thrown in the Susquehanna. We now object to the carrying out of our own suggestion, on the ground that it would destroy the value of the shad fisheries. Horses, cattle, sheep, hogs, dogs, cats, racoons and skunks are frequently drowned in the Susquehanna, but this does not deter people from eating Susquehanna shad. But if Lebo, Manear and Wagonseller were thrown in, there is not a dog in the world that would smell at a Susquehanna shad from that day forward. We can conceive of but one use that can be made of these traitors, and that is to cut them up in inch bits and scatter the pieces over the mountainous parts of our State, to poison the rattlesnakes.—*Val. Spirit.*

The Buzzard's Feast.—Two years ago, Messrs. Taggart, Jordan, Ball and several others, refused to vote for Simon Cameron for U. S. Senator, saying that they had been invited to a buzzard's feast, and that they would not partake of it. The same kind of feast was again prepared on the 13th inst., and those gentlemen not only very greedily partook, but heartily enjoyed it. Mr. MUSSELMAN, of this county, also took a helping hand at it, notwithstanding the pretence of "old-line whiggery" which was set up for him by his friends before the election.

☞The Pittsburg *Union* says:

"There is one thing from which we derive some consolation; that is, that of sixty-eight Democratic Legislators, but three could be found mean enough, despicable enough to support Simon Cameron, while every man of the opposition voted for him with apparent cheerfulness. But three Democrats could be bought to aid in the work of infamy, while sixty-four Republicans and Know Nothings deliberately selected Cameron as their caucus nominee, in preference to worthy and excellent men. We have this little crumb of comfort."

☞A Washington letter writer to one of the city papers says a vat of proportions sufficient to float, when filled, a man-of-war, would not hold all the egg-n gg and apple-toddy drank in that city on New Year's day. It is generally conceded that the eggs and apples discovered a quality which seemed to intoxicate every one who used them in such connection. The scientific world is at a loss to attribute the effect to any other cause.

From the Carlisle Volunteer.

Rejoicing Over Bribery and Villainy.

Our neighbor, the editor of the *Herald*, goes off into extasies over the election of that desperately wicked and corrupt man, Simon Cameron, to the Senate of the United States. The editor says he rejoices at the result, and considers it a great Republican and American triumph! Our neighbor must have a poor opinion of the honesty of his readers and his party when he insults them with his rejoicings over the greatest piece of rascality that ever disgraced our State. The editor who can rejoice over the success of Cameron—a man steeped to the very eye-lids in corruption—*must be lost to all sense of propriety, to all* the finer feelings of our nature. The three Judases in the Legislature who were purchased by the gold of Cameron to betray their party and their principles, have earned for themselves the scorn and indignation of every honest man. As they walk the streets they will be pointed at as the vilest of the vile, and their names will be regarded as synonymous with dishonor to the end of their worthless existence. But, much as those three traitors may be despised, much as the finger of scorn may point at them, what must be thought of that monument of corruption, Cameron, whose money was used to foist himself into a position such as none but men of integrity should dare aspire to? It will not do for our opponents to say that there are doubts in regard to the manner in which Cameron was elected. No one doubts that he was elected by the aid of money. The three miserable rascals who were purchased, attended the Democratic caucus, and one of them, Lebo, voted for the nomination of Col. Forney, and the two others, Wagonseller and Manear, voted for Mr. Robbins, and the three voted (in caucus) for the resolution declaring Colonel Forney's nomination unanimous. It was, therefore, *after* the nomination of Col. Forney that these men were seduced from duty and from honor by the glitter of Cameron's gold. Such an act of scoundrelism and unqualified turpitude, we have never been called on to record, and for the honor of our State and her honest yeomanry, we hope an example may be made of the culprits engaged in this fraud, *bribery and treason.*

And this bribery, fraud, corruption and villainy, the editor of the *Herald* "rejoices" at! We can't believe it—we have a better opinion of our neighbor—we have too high an estimate of his integrity to believe that he was serious when he expressed himself pleased at the election of Cameron. Even had Cameron been elected without a resort to corrupt means, no honest man could exult over it, for he is not the man for the exalted position of United States Senator. This position should be reserved for men of principle and sterling integrity. Cameron possesses neither of these qualities. He never was actuated by principle, and he would sell the Know Nothing and Black Republican parties tomorrow, if by so doing, he could line his own pockets and accomplish his wicked and damnable purposes. During his connection with the Democratic party he did more to bring the men and measures of the party into disrepute than any hundred bad men belonging to it. He never had the confidence of the real men of the party, and was always regarded a wily demagogue, ever ready to gamble in politics. He is a fit man to represent the Black Republicans in the U. S. Senate, and his nomination and election by that party, over honest and worthy men, is evidence of the debauchery and dishonesty of that despicable and rotten faction. Rejoice over the election of such a man, indeed—rejoice over the bribery of members of Assembly! We would as soon rejoice over the valor of the highwayman, or the desperation of the desperado, who murders for money. Shame, shame on the man whose conscience is so stultified as to rejoice over such profligacy.

Kicked Out of Decent Society.

The Chambersburg Spirit says:—Sam Manear, of York, one of the dogs who sold himself to Cameron, was boarding at Wilt's Hotel. Six Democratic members who were boarding there addressed him a note requesting him to leave. He took the *hint* and left. We print the correspondence. Manear's letter proves him to be a fool as clearly as his vote showed him to be a knave. The dog tried to set up a dignified bark at the gentlemen who kicked him out of the house, but Cameron's collar fit his throat too tight, and he could do nothing but whine.

HARRISBURG, Jan. 14, 1857.

MR. SAMUEL MANEAR—

Dear Sir:—The undersigned, boarders at the "Pennsylvania Hotel," feel that they can no longer (without doing injustice to themselves) meet you on those terms of perfect equality which members of a high and honorable body should have for each other. We, therefore, hope that knowing your presence to be disagreeable to us, you will without delay leave the house.

B. Nunemacher, Jesse Pearson, Michael Hoffman, Franklin McIlvain, C. M. Leisenring, John C. Evans.

January 14th, 1857.

C. M. Leisenring, J. C. Evans, B. Nunemacher, J. Pearson, M. Hoffman, F. McIlvain:

I have received your note of this date, in reply to which I have to say, that feeling that I have done nothing which, as an independent Democrat, I ought not to have done, I am unwilling longer to associate with persons who evince by this note, that they have so little knowledge of what is becoming in members of a high and honorable body, and who, on this account, are not fit associates for gentlemen who can associate on terms of equality. As I cannot consent to meet such men on terms of equality, it is my intention to leave a house of which they are inmates.

SAMUEL MANEAR.

The Senatorial Treachery.

It is attempted to pallitate this outrageous treachery in some quarters, by asserting that Col. Forney owes his nomination to the preponderating influence of the President elect. That Mr. Buchanan was his friend, we have no doubt, and that he should have been is equally clear, for at all times, under all circumstances, whether his prospects were bright or apparently hopeless, Col. Forney was always his friend, sacrificing place, and profit, and power, rather than forsake his benefactor. He has made infinitely more effort to place Mr. Buchanan in the Presidency than that gentleman ever made for himself, and we doubt whether Col. Forney has a single enemy in the State who was not placed in that relation toward him because of his unyelding support of Mr. B. We have yet to learn that the sentiment of gratitude is a thing to be condemned and scorned, or that it is not equally binding upon the greatest as well as the least.

If Mr. Buchanan, then, expressed a preference for Col. Forney, it was but just—the just and proper workings of nature. Who is there to question Col. Forney's fitness, or his devotion to the principles of his party? There are none, who themselves have a character to sustain. Then is Mr. Buchanan disfranchised—dare he not express an opinion—because he was elected President? The folly of this excuse for treachery only proves more palpably the criminality and the corruption of the traitors.—*Clinton Democrat.*

Col. Forney and the Cabinet.

The Baltimore *Republican*, an old true Democratic paper, says:

"We have now one hope, a sweet, cherished hope, and speaking for ourselves, we express that hope, that Col. FORNEY may be called into the next Cabinet, than which no step in the future of the Democratic party could be more popular with the people."

In the same train speaks the N. Y. *Mirror*, an opposition journal:

"The defeat of Col. FORNEY," says that paper, "as a candidate for the U. S. Senate, will very likely, by the force of re-action, place him in the Cabinet. We should not be surprised to see Col. FORNEY Postmaster-General on the 4th of March next. He is better calculated for the executive post than for a seat in the Senate."

State Treasurer.

Monday last was the day fixed by law for the election of a State Treasurer, by the Legislature, but both branches having adjourned over from Friday until Monday, a majority of the members left Harrisburg, on a visit to Philadelphia and other places, and in consequence of the snow storm were unable to get back; a quorum was not present on Monday, and consequently no election was held. It will now require a special act of the legislature to provide for an election.—*Carlisle Dem.*

☞The Abolition Governor of Ohio, Salmon P. Chase, utters sentiments in his last Message, which had they been enunciated by the Chief Magistrate of any Southern State, would have caused the Black Republicans of the North to throw up their hands in holy horror, and shout lustily "*Nullification,*" but, coming from the Abolition Governor of Ohio, are approved by the Shriekers for Bleeding Kansas, whose gory wounds Chase attempts to re-open by advocating nullification!

"A Bible was raffled off at a coffee-house in Louisville, a few days ago. It was put up at $100, and won by a Southern Kentuckian, who threw 44."

☞What a commentary on the demoralization of the age. We have read that the Saviour drove money changers from the Temple, at Jerusalem, but it was left for the Louisvillains to gamble away the "Word of God."

POSTSCRIPT.

BY SATURDAY NIGHT'S MAIL.

☞By a mail which reached this from Hanover on Saturday evening we have Baltimore and other papers to Thursday morning. From them we glean the following items.

☞*The Storm* we find to have been one of equally intense severity, northward, eastward and southward. Telegraphic accounts from Philadelphia, New York, Boston, and farther north; Washington, and beyond that south; represent terrible blowing and drifting, with a freezing cold rarely known. In Baltimore, at the intersection of streets, the piles of snow were from eight to fifteen feet deep, and in Philadelphia and New York about the same. All the lines of travel were closed, and immense labor has been expended in opening them. As a sample of the work: gangs of five, six, seven and eight heavy freight engines were sent out from Baltimore to force passages through the drifts on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad; but even these failed in many instances, and resort to the shovel and cart was had, *some of the cuts being full to the top.* With extraordinary labor, all the Railroad lines from that city, except that to Philadelphia, were opened by Wednesday—and trains on the latter were expected through during the next day. Work on the Railroads east and north has been much of the same character.

☞*Three Persons Frozen to Death.*—On Monday morning, before daylight, a milk wagon was caught in a snow-drift near Market street bridge, Philadelphia, and daylight revealed a dreadful spectacle of a woman and child—its occupants—frozen to death.—Another woman was also frozen to death in the 19th ward.

☞*Shocking Affair.*—On Wednesday last, a prescription was put up at the drug store of Mr. Leffer, Lombard and Eden streets, Baltimore, as ordered by a physician, for a child of Mr. Eckart. The child died shortly after taking the medicine, and the matter being brought to the attention of the druggist, he tasted a part of the same, to show that it was not dangerous, when in a few minutes he fell and soon expired. Dr. Arnold then tasted it, but swallowed none, and he was at one time supposed to be dying, but when last heard from was better. "Cyanuret of potash" had been substituted by mistake for "chloride of potash." Another sad warning.

☞*Illness of Mr. Giddings.*—Mr. Giddings, of Ohio, dropped down in his seat, in the House of Representatives, at Washington, on Saturday week, from an affection of the heart. Medical aid was at once had, and he is now much better.

☞*War* has been commenced between England and China, growing out of grievances sustained by British merchants. At last accounts, the British fleet was bombarding Canton, and the issue was not doubted. The Chinese fleet had already been defeated.

☞*Arrest.*—Jas. W. Simonton, the Washington correspondent of the New York Times, has been arrested and imprisoned at the instance of the national House of Representatives, for refusing to divulge the names of members "who had approached him and desired to know if they could not, through him, procure money for their votes on certain bills." Quite a "scene" ensued when he was brought before the House, on Wednesday.

☞*Missouri U. S. Senators.*—Hon. T. Polk has been elected for the long term, and Hon. J. S. Greene for the short term. Both are Democrats.

☞*Nicaragua.*—Returned Nicaraguans give contradictory but generally rather dismal accounts of the state of affairs in Nicaragua.

☞The trial in relation to the validity of the will of Martin Ebbert, deceased, in the Court of York county, week before last, resulted in a verdict sustaining the will. The jury was out 24 hours.

☞It is said that the notorious *Frailey*, of Schuylkill county, received the nomination for State Treasurer at the hands of the Know Nothing and Black Republican members. CAN IT BE?—But the election of Cameron should cause us not to be surprised at anything. Frailey is a regular Harrisburg Borer—"no more nor less." God save the Commonwealth!

PEN AND SCISSORS.

....The old adage, "too cold to snow," was at fault yesterday a-week.

....The severe wintery weather extends South and West of us. The James River, Virginia, has been frozen over, and the winter in New Mexico has been the hardest known there for many years.

....A man in Fulton county, in this State, has just been convicted of theft, for taking his own horse from the possession of a Sheriff, who held the animal under an attachment; the court decided that such an operation was stealing.

....A child beginning to read becomes delighted with a newspaper, because he reads the names of things which are familiar and will make progress accordingly. A newspaper in one year is worth two quarter's schooling to a child.

....An ardent Fillmore man in Farmville, Va., pledged his word before the election, that in case Buchanan came in he would drink six bottles of castor oil at one time.—We have not heard that he has "paid up" yet.

....A couple named Jerry Better and Louisa Well, were married at the cathedral in Cincinnati, on Saturday. Louisa was *Well*, but now she is *Better*.

....*Wonderful.*—Congress has now been in session nearly six weeks, and have had "narry" fight yet! That dignified body is evidently improving.—*Jamestown Dem.*

Neither Sumner nor Burlingame have been in their seats this winter, we believe—a fact that will explain why there has "been narry fight," and also the "improvement" alluded to.

....The man who could not stand it any longer had to take a seat, and now feels quite comfortable.

....Why are railroad cars in no danger from lightning? Because every train has a conductor.

....A husband advertises thus:—"My wife, Annie Maria, has strayed or been stolen. Whoever returns her will get his head broke. As to trusting her, any body can do as he thinks fit; for, as I never pay my own debts, it's not likely I'll pay her'n."

....In churning butter, if small granules of butter appear which do not "gather," throw in it a lump of butter, and it will form a nucleus, and the butter will "come."

....Not less than seventeen bears have been killed in Lebanon county within the last month.

....Lemon juice is much relied on by the physicians in London, for curing rheumatism. Three tablespoonfuls per day is a dose for a man.

....*Glorious Times for Ladies!*—In the reign of Queen Margaret of Scotland, the parliament passed an act, that any maiden lady, of high or low degree, should have the liberty to choose for a husband the man on whom she set her fancy. If a man refused to marry her, he was heavily fined, according to the value of his worldly possessions. The only ground of exemption was previous betrothal.

A Sad Occurrence.

On last Friday a week, Mahala Rohrer, a widow lady risiding at Tighlmanton, left home for the purpose of visiting some neighbors. She locked her two little children, aged one and four years, in the house and took the key with her. The eldest one was very anxious to accompany its mother, but she positively refused to take it, leaving it at home to take care of the youngest. During her absence the house took fire, and the children being locked in, burned entirely up. It is supposed that the children were playing with the fire, and thus set fire to the building, which being of logs was totally destroyed.—The occurrence took place between two and three o'clock in the afternoon. This is a sad warning to parents never to leave small children alone, especially where there is any fire.—*Hagerstown Chronicle.*

☞The small pox is prevailing to an alarming extent in Stowe, Vt., and all the public gatherings are forbidden, and schools are stopped; pest houses have been provided, and the Congregational clergyman has gone to one of them to devote his services to the sick.

☞The Legislature of Missouri have awarded the position of Lieutenant Governor to Hancock Jackson, the Democratic candidate. It will be recollected that the returns, as first sent in, elected Newland, the Know Nothing candidate, but it was discovered that a mistake had been made in the returns from one county which reversed the result. A supplementary return was made by the clerk of the county where the error was, stating the fact, and it was duly recognized by the Legislature, who proceeded to do substantial justice by awarding the place to Jackson.

☞We learn from the Pittsburg *Post* that a gentleman named Dr. James M'Elheney, residing about twenty miles distant, along the banks of the Ohio river, arrived in that city on Saturday with a large arm chair, a walking cane, a broom, (all carved from hickory in the most elaborate and ingenious style, by his own hand) and two wild turkeys, all of which he had borne on his back the entire twenty miles, to be forwarded by express to Hon. James Buchanan, as a New Year's present. On laying down his precious cargo in the Diamond market, the rowdies of the opposition, learning his mission, succeeded in stealing the turkeys and cane, but the poultry was subsequently recovered through the assistance of a gentleman who witnessed the theft, and the articles safely lodged in the express office, and have, ere this, no doubt, reached their destination at Wheatland.

A "Nuisance" Defined.—At a trial for "maintaining a nuisance" recently at Exeter, England, it was shown on the part of Mr. Abraham that his neighbor, Mr. Minty, had a cock which crowed one hundred and fifty times in 20 minutes. The learned Judge thought this was an amount of crowing which human nature was not bound to put up with, and awarded to the plaintiff 1s. damages.