

Extraordinary Murder in North-Western New York.

It becomes our painful duty, this week, to record one of the most cold-blooded and heartless murders ever perpetrated in this section.

Two men, Van Tassel and John B. Secor, from the north-western county, in this State had been a few days previous to this occurrence, in this and the edge of St. Lawrence county, purchasing some horses, and on Monday morning, the 6th inst., were on their way home with their horses, having taken the "Hopkinton and Port-Kent Turnpike" from Hopkinton.

Suspicion was immediately directed to James M. Bickford and Thomas Cook, from Dickinson, two young men of whom one or two had been in the neighborhood of the previous afternoon, and had called at one or two places, at one of which they endeavored to borrow another gun, with the intention, as they said, of going to Meacham Lake, in this vicinity hunting and fishing. They did not, however, succeed in this, and they passed on to the direction of the north-western county.

About sunset, tracks and other evidences of the presence of at least two persons were discovered, and these tracks corresponded in size and appearance with those of the two persons who had called at the house of a Mr. Perkins where they endeavored to borrow the gun. Similar tracks were also seen in the woods, and some of the persons had taken their course to this place. On following them up, it was found that they had stopped at the house of a Mr. Wines, where they had taken dinner, and were coming to Malone to take the cars.

About sunset two persons were discovered about a mile and a half south of this village, near the woods, on the bank of the river, and as they were approached fled into the woods and disappeared. The roads were partially guarded during the night, and it was supposed that they would take, but nothing was seen of them. Early the following morning the woods in which they had taken refuge were scoured, as were the roads leading from our village, but nothing could be discovered of them.

The character of these young men we know little of—one of them, nothing. Young Bickford is the oldest son of Mr. Henry N. Bickford, of Dickinson, a very respectable and much esteemed man, wherever he is known.

The young man who is supposed to be the murderer of the Quincey family, was a young man of a considerable length of time, and his school fellows give him credit for being kind and good hearted, although, like too many young men, rather wild, but not, we believe, malicious. He is 22 or 23 years of age, good looking and intelligent, and among the last we should select for a hardened villain, or a highway robber.

The parents of young Cook also live in the same neighborhood with Bickford, and the young man has been engaged in the service and lived in the family of Mr. Bickford for several months past. He is about 37 years old, a very ordinary looking boy, and one who no one would expect for a murderer. He is now and hazardous business, and one with which they were entirely unacquainted and wholly unfitted to pursue.

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EDITORIAL PERSONS in the Eastern section of the County, wishing to pay for the "DEMOCRAT" please call on our Law Office, directly opposite the "Lusk House," GREAT BRIDGE, PA.

Our readers will recollect that we published a few weeks since a statement of Mr. Ezekiel Bullard, of Bridgewater, of an extraordinary quantity of milk taken from a cow owned by him, and also one in reference to the same subject from Mr. Abram Chamberlin. Since that Mr. Bullard has "tried what could be done," and gives us the following as the result.

The cow is a middling sized brindle—common breed. Why not some enter a competition, and publish weekly the result of their efforts, with the kind of pasture, feed, &c. Would not such a competition be of advantage to the dairy interests of the county, which has already a most favorable reputation for this branch of farming? Try it! send us the result, no matter if it don't quite come to the above mark, and we will publish for general benefit. We believe there is no county in the State that can exceed this in dairying successfully. Taking profit into consideration, will not such a reputation be most advantageous to the farming interest of any?

The Butter and Cheese of this county took the premium at the State Fair last fall—let that be followed up by still greater results. Below we give a statement of the pounds milked each day commencing Wednesday morning, and ending Tuesday night following:

Table with 2 columns: Day, Pounds. Wednesday 54-1-4, Thursday 53-1-4, Friday 55, Saturday 56, Sunday 56-3-4, Monday 54, Tuesday 54.

Book Notices. The Ladies Book and Graham's Magazine for June are at hand. We have so often called attention to these two leading Magazines that anything we may say cannot give them more firm hold upon our Magazine-loving readers. Suffice it to say, that they keep full pace with the progress of the day.

Arthur's Home Magazine for the month of July is a number rich in all that gives character to a periodical. This is the commencement of a new volume, and is filled with new attractions of which the proprietor says:

Wonderful Cave in Unkoo County. A Cave of considerable magnitude, says the Albany Gazette, was discovered on the 1st inst. in Dry Valley Union county, four miles below Lewisburg, of land belonging to Youngman and Walter. The cave was developed by blasting. From a description we have had of it, it appears to be some thing of a curiosity. The entrance is large enough to admit two men abreast. It leads to an archway high about five feet broad and two feet high, descending gradually for about fifty yards to a point about two hundred yards from the entrance. Here it becomes quite narrow, and what lies beyond has not yet been ascertained.

New York Correspondence.

New York, Saturday, June 18, 1853. Mrs. Editors.—During the past week nothing of much consequence has occurred in our good city of Gotham, excepting however, the visit of Mechanical Fire Engine Company of Baltimore, at the invitation of Columbian Engine Company No. 14 of this city, they having been the guests of the former, on a visit last year to Baltimore. The New York Firemen were determined not to be outdone in the return of hospitality. They accompanied their friends to all the various places of note in and around the city. On Friday afternoon the American—the Hotel at which the Baltimoreans stayed, took fire from some accidental cause, and by their assistance the fire was subdued, without occasioning a great deal of damage—on the same evening a grand banquet was given to them at the Astor House, by No. 14, where every thing passed to the satisfaction of all the participants.

The good people of New York are now leaving the city in large numbers, for the country, in consequence of the extreme warm weather with which we have been blessed. The upper part of the city looks quite desolate—front doors unswung, windows closed and other unmistakable evidences of absence met with at every step. The political world likewise feels this influence and remains comparatively quiet. It is reported that Collector Bronson has refused to give any appointment whatever to the notorious Isiah Rynders, who felt assured of his ability of obtaining a good berth in the Custom House. This course, if pursued by the Collector will give great satisfaction to the lovers of Law and Order in this city, and throughout the country. Our Elections have long been ruled by these organized bands of rascals, led by the Rynders—Political and other vagabonds who infest both public parties, setting themselves out for hire to any designing knave who wished to secure his nomination to any office by which he may enrich himself at the expense and confidence of his fellow-men. Our city is now groaning under the misrule of men who have by the encouragement of these desperadoes secured for themselves place and position which their character or ability could never have obtained.

Infamous. A relative of Gen. Harrison gives notice in a card published in the Cincinnati Times, that all persons assembling in the grave yard enclosure at North Bend, for the purpose of re-veling, will be prosecuted as trespassers, and cited as a reason a disgraceful scene which occurred on the 30th ult., which is described as follows:

A party of several hundred came from Cincinnati in three stambons, a pioneer band having preceded them the day before in an omnibus, and this pioneer band pitched their tent in the grave yard on Sunday, for the sale of liquor, without leave or license from any one. Yesterday that grave yard was selected as the spot upon which the company danced all day and one of the "Professors," in calling the figures, could be distinctly heard at the house, a quarter of a mile off in the valley below.

Fourth of July Sabbath School celebration at Montrose. There will be a Grand Sabbath School Celebration at this place on the 4th of July next, in which all the Sabbath Schools of the County are invited to participate. The following Committees have been appointed:

Committee of Arrangements.—L. L. Post, Wm. H. Jessup, L. F. Fitch, James Shaw, D. Chamberlin. Com. on Music.—Wm. H. Jessup, L. C. Keeler. Com. on Speakers.—L. F. Fitch, N. Newton, A. Chamberlin. Com. on Refreshments.—J. P. W. Riley, L. C. Keeler, S. Jessup, F. B. Marsh, Daniel Sayre, Lewis Chamberlin, Misses Ellen Mitchell, Mary Wilson, Sophia Lyons, Mary J. Etheridge, Frances Reed, Julia A. Keeler, Hetty D. Biddle, Charlotte Draper, Mina Meyerlet, Ellen Seacro, Margaret Dunmore.

Later from the Arkansas Gold Regions. During the past week the gold fever has raged in this region to a considerable extent. New discoveries are constantly being made—Gold in small quantities has been found in the valleys, on the hill tops, and indeed almost everywhere, where search has been made. So rarely a rock can be found that does not contain some sign of gold.

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Incidents. As in the case of the Norfolk slaughter many incidents were related which would be of interest to our readers, we have for the preservation of the lives of some persons.

Prisoners of some of the victims. The funeral of Mr. Arnold took place on Friday afternoon. The body was borne forth amid the sobs of the neighbors and friends, and upon a glorious evening when the sun's first gleam of the foundry was still and its first quenched, the remains were deposited in a picturesque cemetery overhanging the murmuring waters of the Susquehanna.

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