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Wood! Wood!! Those who wish to pay us in wood we desire should bring us some now.

Remember that the present firm will discontinue the first of January, and that after that time persons in arrears will be charged the average price for the paper.

Send it along and we will return receipts. Fair warning!

KANSAS AFFAIRS.

Civil war at length has broken out in Kansas. It appears that a man named Coleman, and a young man named Dow, both residing near Lawrence, had a difficulty about their claims, and that after a meeting and conversation on the subject, Coleman shot Dow, in cold blood, and left him lying in the street.

It is said at Washington that General Cass, and other leading Democratic Senators have declared in favor of the free State men. We hope this is true, and that Congress will see the necessity of admitting Reeder to his seat and bringing Kansas into the Union at once as a free State.

In all reasonable probability the Know-Nothing nominees for President in 56 will be Millard Filmore of New York.

Say what we will of Mr. Filmore's administration, it will bear the test of calm scrutiny very well. He acceded to the Presidency when the country was in the midst of the most terrible convulsions.

The duty of the Democrats is plain. Nominate a man whose Statesmanship is beyond question, and whose antecedents are a guarantee that he would lead justly by the contending factions of the country.

Next President of the United States. This is the precise position to which things have come since the giving up of the ghost and ending of the mighty Republican movement in Pennsylvania, New York and Massachusetts.

FROM WASHINGTON. Up to this, Wednesday, no organization has been effected in the House.

Banks may be well qualified for the place, but he is just one of those politicians, we think little of. From the Democratic party he apostatized to Know Nothingism.

Public Opinion.

The Harrisburg Patriot, & Union, the central organ of the Democracy of Pennsylvania, expresses decided preference for Mr. Buchanan for the Presidency.

Now is the movement confined to Pennsylvania alone. It can be seen that a strong disposition is manifested in the State of New York to bury all party dissensions and unite in solid phalanx for Mr. Buchanan.

Since the matter for our last paper was prepared Jessup and O'Leary commenced a civil suit against us for libel.

Our course is plain. A co-partnership between the Judiciary and politics is a subject affecting the dearest rights and interests of the people.

Judge Wilmot recognized this duty, and the justness of this requirement in its fullest and broadest sense when he aspired to the Bench of this District.

have been going from bad to worse. He seemed to throw off all restraint, and as regularly as Court cases, our community was thrown into a renewed political quarrel.

It is perhaps generally known that the doctrine was started some sixty years ago, that a Universalist could not be a competent witness because he does not believe in future punishment, thus establishing the principle that it is the dread of punishment, not the hope of reward, or the love of virtue, that constrains men to love truth and deal justly with their fellow men.

Now it should be known that every state in this Union contains among her legal enactments the same principle that this decision is based upon, namely, the requirements of an oath demand a belief in future rewards and punishments.

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Is a UNIVERSALIST A COMPETENT WITNESS? We briefly mentioned, recently, that in a trial at Jackson (N. C.) Superior Court, Judge Mack held that a person professing the doctrine of Universalism was an incompetent witness.

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American Books in England.

The following letter is from the Rev. Thomas Timpson, an able and pious minister in London, the author of many valuable theological and other works.

LONDON, (ENG.) March 22. My Dear Sir, I am honored by a sense of obligation to testify to you on the part of myself, my sons and daughters, the inexpressible gratification we feel in the possession of the sixteen volumes of your beautiful works which now adorn my library.

By your publications, you have made all classes through the whole community in the United States very greatly your debtors. This is in some measure, as I perceive, by the large and increasing demand for your valuable works.

Your "Bible Biography," "Pictorial Sunday Book," and "History of the Bible," cannot fail to be highly prized by those of a more religious or established Christian character.

It is natural for you to wish my judgment as to the value of an Englishman's work, particularly upon your "Description of Great Britain and Ireland."

For my own part, I confess that the desire of my heart, and my constant prayer, is that I may be blessed with a good and affectionate husband, and that I may be a good and affectionate wife and mother.

People turn up their noses at this world as though they were in the habit of keeping company with a better one.

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false religion, which afflict the great nations of Europe, Asia, Africa, and many parts of America, and of regenerating the world, under the gracious providence of God.

Democratic State Convention of 1856.

At a meeting of the Democratic State Central Committee, held November 1st, 1855, at the Merchants Hotel, Philadelphia, the following resolutions were adopted.

Resolved, That the Democratic State Convention of 1856, be held on the 4th day of March next, at Harrisburg, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

In pursuance of the above Resolution, the Convention will assemble at Harrisburg, for the purpose of selecting delegates to the Democratic National Convention, and nominating a candidate for Canal Commissioner, Auditor General and Surveyor General.

The following is a most truthful, as well as judicious hit at the opposition you combined against the Democracy.

Descendants of Love.—Love is like the devil, because it wraps the soul in bliss, because it is refreshing like pepper, because it often sets one on fire.

Editorial Life in California.—First—Gets up in the morning at ten o'clock, dresses himself, puts on his hat, in which are six or seven bullet holes.

RELIGIOUS PASSION.—A young lady thus writes anonymously in the columns of a newspaper.

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Rev. A. O. Warren, will preach at Hopbottom, Spring Day, 16th at 10 o'clock, at Lenox next day, at 11 o'clock P. M.

On the 4th inst. by Rev. J. L. Staples, Mr. WILLIAM McCOLLUM of Bridgeport, Susquehanna Co., and MISS MARY ANN LEE of Sterling, Wayne Co., Pa.

In Brooklyn, Oct. 20th, Mary, daughter of James and Fanny Howitt, aged 10 years.

MASONIC BALL. At the Large Assembly Room of E. N. B. Co. of Nicholson Wyoming Co., Pa., on the 27th of December 1855.

The Season for Gifts. Close at hand, and I must make a present. What shall it be? I have given books and letters, candy and nut-crackers, and sugar plums, fives and rubbers.

Sheriff's Sale. By virtue of a writ issued out of the Court of Sessions, in and for the County of York, and to us directed, I will expose to public sale on the 17th of December 1855, at 11 o'clock, A. M.

Also, one other certain piece or parcel of land situated and being in the township of Bridgeport, in the County of Susquehanna, and bounded as follows: to wit: Beginning at a post on the line of Robin Beebe's lot, thence south 87 degrees 00 minutes to Moses Tyler's lot, thence by the same south 23 deg. west 138 1/2 perches to a post on the line of Robin Hoyt's lot, thence north 87 deg. east 100 perches to a post on Walter Foster's line, thence by the same north 23 deg. east 128 perches to the beginning, containing 80 acres be the same or less, being the same lot conveyed by the late Jos. Butterfield, decd. of Susquehanna County, Pa., and being dated Dec. 9th, A. D. 1848 and recorded in the office for recording Deeds, etc. in Deed Book No. 17, page 470, with the appurtenances, one framed dwelling house, one barn and 60 acres improved.

Also, one other certain piece or parcel of land situated and being in the township of Bridgeport, in the County of Susquehanna, and bounded as follows: to wit: Beginning at a post and stone in the west line of lands late of Abram E. Kennard, 22 perches from the northwest corner thereof, thence south 89 deg. west 100 perches to a stake, thence north 3 deg. west 100 perches to a stake, thence north 87 deg. east 100 perches to a stake in the line of Leonard Beebe's lot, thence south 3 deg. east by lands of Leonard Beebe and of Abram E. Kennard 100 perches to the place of beginning, containing 25 acres and 120 perches of land and allowance of 5 per cent with the appurtenances, 1 framed house, barn and horse shed, 1 orchard and about 40 acres improved.

The Good Time Coming. BY T. S. ARTHUR. THOSE who wish to hear something of that long expected day, should read this book. It is a long and interesting, and contains all having been ordered in consequence of its publication. We send a copy by mail, post paid, on receipt of the price.

NEW GOODS. H. J. WEBB is now receiving a new supply of GOODS, which will be sold cheap for cash. Montrose, Sept. 18, 1855. YANKEE Notions of every variety, at G. W. S. & Co. GREAT variety of Ready Made Clothing, at H. J. Webb.