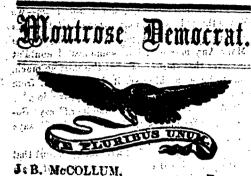
Mr. Adams' character says: "Undoubtedly one Democrat; great reason of his unpopularity was his cold and antipathic, manner, and the suspicion of tleman stands prominent among the candiselfishness it suggested or at least added great dates for nomination before the approaching ly to confirm. None approached Mr. Adams Democratic State Convention, for Covernor but to recode. He never speceeded he never of Pennsylvania. From an infimate acquaint tricil to facilitate.

Precollect an anecdote somewhat illustrative of this. When he was a candidate for the Presidency, his political friends thought it advisable that he should attend a cattle show at Worces. ter. Massachusetts so as to facilitate the numbers of influential men who might be present. Accordingly he wont, and while there many persons eral, the Democracy would again march were introduced to him, and among the rest a forth to conquest and to victory. farmer of the vicinity-a man of substance and great respectability. On being presented, he

"Mr. Adams, I am very glad to see you. My wife, when she was a gal, lived in your father's family; you were then a little boy, and she has fold me a good deal about you. She has very often combed your head."

"Well," said Mr. Adams, in his harsh way, I suppose she combs yours now!" The poor farmer, slunk back like a lashed hound, feeling the smart, but uttorly unconscious of the provocation.



Montrose, Thursday, Fcb. 19, 1857

The Democratic State Convention

for 1857. The Democratic State Convention, for the purpose of placing in nomination candidates Vice President. The correspondent of the for Governor, Canal Commissioner, and Judge of the Supreme Court, to be voted for in October next, will be held at HARRIS-BURG, on MONDAY, the second day of interesting day's proceedings ever known in March, 1857, at 11 o'clock, A. M.

J. W. FORNEY Chairman of State Central Committee.

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How the Thing is Managed. Many of our democratic friends are in clined to believe that the monster Know Nothingism was being driven from the country, or is so badly empled that it can oc casion no great damage hereafter. In one shall, of Kentucky, rose, and with great mock respect this belief is well-founded. The gravity inquired if nothing touching the pubprinciples advocated by that terrible, and for lie interest was in order on this solemn occaa time, resistless, instrument of demagogues, sion? (Bursts of laughter.) Mr. Elliot askare now, and will remain for a century, just- ed if it would be in order for the American ly edious with the intelligent and honest peo- party to withdraw Mr. Fillmore. (Uproarious ple. But we have reason to believe that the merriment.) Mr. Whitney wished to inmachinery of the order is used by the black | quire why the Public Building Investigation republicans in furtherance of their nefarious Committe was not still alive. Mr. Letcher projects. To illustrate: In the town of proposed, as a compromise, a committee to Harford, the K. N's. alias B. R's. issued a make post mortem examination. The Speakcall for the holding of a "Republican caucus" er ruled compromises especially out of order. in the basement of the Methodist church to (Roars of Laughter.) choose candidates for the town officers. At | "But order being restored the Senate enthe time and place appointed the faithful con-tered, and the count of votes cast for Presivened, and adjourned to the office of a lead-lident and Vice President was commenced, being "shrieker;" horse blankets were hung ginning with Maine, and reading at length up at the windows of the seven by-nine den, the certificates of election. The vote of Virall persons not acknowledging the merits of ginia being reached, on motion of Mr. Cass, Sam and Sambo, were invited to leave the the reading of the certificates was dispensed premises. Notwitstanding this display of with, and Mr. Bigler, one of the tellers, rising cunning and caution, and the earnest desire on tiptoe, announced in full tone "Virginia, of the interested parties, to keep their doings votes for Jas. Buchanan." from the public eye, they were out-witted by our reporter, and we are quite familiar with until Arkansas was announced. She with their proceedings on the memorable oc- voted for "James Buchanan, who is not a citcasion. A committee of six was appointed izen of Arkansas." This announcement was to nominate suitable persons for town officers; followed by a roar of laughter from both bodand the report of said committee, unanilies. The vote of Wisconsin being reached, mously adopted, because, said a conspicuous Mr. Letcher objected to its being counted, but member of the faithful, we must report to Mr. Mason—the presiding officer—decided head-quarters and unaninimity is highly im- the objection out of order. (Great sensation.) portant. A vote was then taken for the pur- The count was then resumed and completed, pose of ascertaining the choice of the caucus as stated by Mr. Jones, one of the tellers, and for Governor-Wilmot proved to be the for- announced to both Houses by the President tunate and favored individual. This last of the Senate, as follows : "Buchanan, 174; proceeding enables us to understand why the Fremont, 114-including Wisconsin, which black republican conventions of Susquehanna voted on the 4th of December, instead of the and Bradford made no allusion to their idol, 3d, as required by the constitution; and in connection with the Gubernatorial office. Fillmore, 8." &c. The lodges had not yet indicated their choice. The conventions were necessarily silent. The President decided he would entertain no moopposition candidate for Governor, it is evi- tion to inquire into the validity of the Wisdent, will be the man receiving the greatest consin vote, thus assuming to decide the number of votes, in these secret gatherings, question himself. The question might bewhere horse-blankets are employed to hide come one on which would depend the choice selfish demagogues from the gaze of their hon- of a President, and a number of both houses -est fellow-citizens. Thus, do the black re- protested against the decision of the chair, publicans use the machinery invented by the and appealed; but he would not put the K. N's a secret system poorly adapted to the vote on the appeal. He considered his powpropagation of truth and correct principles. er at an end, as he had counted and announc-But the proceedings of this secret caucus, ed the vote. The tellers had done their duviewed in another light, are simply ridicu- ty and he had done his. No other motion dons. A Constable, School Directors, &c., would be entertained. Fifty men were now are to be chosen; forthwith a caucus is called upon their feet, and screaming at the top of baving any knowledge or intimation of which of the men penetrated with sympathy for their voices. Toombs of Georgia. Douglas the negro, and hated of Southern domestic of Illinois, Crittenden and Marshall of Ken- gled out Mr. Eckel as the man who came to men to preside over the destinies of Harford Douglas, Stanton, Haven, Cobb. Butler and the ensuing year! Grave and responsible others, all speaking at once and by turns, as ed in the Doctor's room lying in wait for the shantles and various buildings about the duty 1 Frences for the station to be filled is they imagined there was an opportunity of him, and that he attacked and killed him as works, and making arrests until about four mething tille "friend of freedom" slone is competent to visit district schools, execute the process of a J. P., and estimate the value of the real and personal property of his neighbors! Such was probably the reasoning of the caucus aforesaid. We confess we were the scheme will be crowned with success, re-

The Next Governor. Gen. Wm. F. Packer of Lecoming county. Hon. Wm. H. Witte of Philadelphia, and Cal. Ben Risch of Pitteliary are prominent canacknowledge the worth and services of each continued without much interest until bim up, and be could not afford to lose the street continued without much interest until bim up, and be could not afford to lose the street continued without much interest until bim up, and be could not afford to lose the street continued without much interest until bim up, and be could not afford to lose the street continued without much interest until bim up, and be could not afford to lose the street continued without much interest until bim up, and be could not afford to lose the street continued without much interest until bim up, and be could not afford to lose the street continued without much interest until bim up, and be could not afford to lose the street continued without much interest until bim up, and be could not afford to lose the street continued without much interest until bim up, and be could not afford to lose the street continued without much interest until bim up, and be could not afford to lose the school of the felling and flittleburg school of the adjournment.

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mains to be seen. . While the work the

We are gratified to observe that this genance of about a quarter of a century with Gen. P. we are prepared to say, that is all the essential qualifications for that office, he has few equals and no superior in the State. We thererefore anticipate his nomination on the second of March, as the standard-bearer of the Democracy of the Keystone of the Federal Arch, and under the lead of such a Gen-

On Tuesday the Joth inst., the Senate of Missouri passed a resolution declaring the thick, sticky, pudding-like mortar, ready emaccipation of Slaves in that State impracticable. The House has since concurred.

the D. L. & W. R. R. ran off the track, a dit. The bottom of Broadway is again visible to tle South of Factoryville. The cara were pre- the naked eye, greatly to the joy of the navicipitated down an embankment of nearly gators thereof, and foot passengers can now 100 feet, the engineer and fireman were in- cross that lively thoroughfare without being stantly killed, and several passengers badly obliged to resort to their swimming powers bruised. The engine was completely denied in order to reach the opposite curbstone.ished, the passenger car thrown bottom side But though Broadway is in tolerable travelup and the front portion of the same broken ling order, many of the side streets are abso-

This book ought to be in the possession of our neighbors in Albany are covered under every citizen who desires to know the politi- four feet of water, and in fact are submerged cal history of his country."

Scene in Congress-Declaring the Vote for President and Vice Pres-

The two Houses of Congress met on the 11th, in the hall of the House of Representatives, and, through the tellers, proceeded to count and declare the vote for President and New York Herald gives the following account of the proceedings: "We have had one of the most exciting and

the American Congress. Under the requirements of the Constitution, and a previous joint resolution, the Senate entered the Rep. resentative hall a little after noon, preceded by the President pro tem, who was escorted to a seat on the right of the Speaker. Before the Senate came in quite a spirit of merriment prevailed. A number of propositions had been submitted and overraled. Mr. Mar-

"The count was then rapidly progressed

"Intense excitement now prevailed, as the nine room, with horse blankets suspended the action of the Chairman, and another at the windows, and with solemn de- such a scene of confusion was never witnessmeanor, the patriots assemble to select ed in a legislative hall. Mesers. Orr. Cass. being heard, the Chairman making more speeches than any one else. His inefficiency had created the confusion, and his explana-

tions invariably made bad worse. "The great question was, who could decide upon the legality or illegality of votes? met prepared for anch an exhibition. Whether It was evidently a case not provided for by law, and hence all the difficulty. The Chairman said the purpose for which the Senate had entered the hall had been accomplished. and at his suggestion they again left, and reest confusion and most intense excitement.

A semewhat severe, but still sente analyst of The following we take from the Columbia dodged by the adoption of a resolution to point a commistee to wait on the President and Vice President, and inform them of their election. Legislation will now be had on the subject, so that no precedent can grow out of the proceedings to day."

Hem Hork Correspondence.

New York, Feb. 12, 1857. Messrs. Editors :-

A drenching rain last Sunday carried off the greater part of the remaining angw and jed; and so diluted the slush in the streets that it has run off through the cul verts, instead of standing in the chape of to entrap unwary pedestrians by the boots and hold them fast until they could be knock ed down smashed, killed and buried all by Friday the accommodation train on one blow from some unwieldly omnibus. lutely impassable from accumulated snow and ice; and, as the weather, has come off exceedto go to fires in boats and on crafts, we have light. seen the worst of our January thaw, and have nearly recovered from its moist effects. The freshets are not, however, confined to the Hudson, but we get the most disastrous acimmense damage has been done by the breaking up of the ice and the sudden moving of the waters, Steamboats, storehouses, wharves, bridges, and all kinds of property lying on, or adjacent to the shores of the great rivers have to hinder the ruin.

In our own city the all absorbing topic is still the Bond street murder, and the one question discussed, at all times and in all places, is, "Who killed Dr. Burdell?" The excitement does not seem to abate-thousands of There are some twelve hundred hishmen people still throng the street and crowd about the house in the fruitless hope of being able to see or liear something to satisfy their excited curiosity. This is the twelfth day of under its inspirations a "ruction" was soon the Coroner's investigation, and as yet noth- raised. It began, as such things generally ing has been elicited which does more than do, between a Corkonian and a Far-Downer throw mere suspicion upon the persons who their different factions. were in the house at the time of the commis- The argument came early to knock-down, Eckel are still the suspected parties; nothing friends, the fight became general throughout has been brought out in the testimony, nel. In a very short time, full five hundred or has otherwise occurred to direct the atten- Irishmen were engaged in a most terrible rition of the public from them. In the minds of and fight. Towards eight o'clock in the of three quarters of the community these two evening, a rush was made for the 'shantees.' persons are already convicted of the assassin- and four of them were soon in ashes, while ation, and the indications are stronger every day, that in the event of a discharge by the liew in every direction. Pistols and guns, Coroner they would be taken into the hands knives, disks, clubs, cart-rangs, bars of iron of the mob. The crowd got information ves- &c., were brought into requisition. The Sherterday that Eckel was in a certain carriage which was being driven rapidly from the house; they immediately gave chase and sur- | sent to Hoboken City, Jersey City, and Berrounded it, and though the presence of the gen, for the various military companies to officers restrained anything like violence, the march immediately to the ground. hisses, groans, and curses of the angry throng, told the suspected murderer in the plainest language what was the feeling of the people ngainst him. It is of no use to give a summary of the testimony since my last letterthere is enough of it to make a book of 200 pages, and with the exception of what was said by one single witness, it all proves nothing. No other clue has been detected, no following were the companies from Hoboken: other persons thrown under suspicion, and the testimony is all irrelevant, or nearly corroborative, except the evidence of a shoemaker named John Farrell, which seems to throw the Hadson County Cavalry. little new light upon the subject. This man swears that on the night of the murder. between 10 and 11 o'clock, he was passing through Bond street, and sat down on the step of house No. 31 to adjust his shoe-string,

which had pulled out, and which occupied

some minutes to replace. While thus scated

five minutes, a man in his shirt sleeves came | but the military surrounded it and several of and partly opened the door, and in a gruff the ringleaders were taken prisoners and conducted them to jail, accompanied by a file tone ordered him off. The witness was taken into a room where there were about 25 gentlemen, and, without was the accused party, he immediately sininstitutions. At night, in a seven-by- tucky, and many others, protested against the door on the eventful night and ordered they attempted to come out of their hiding him off the step. This evidence goes to prove, places. The First Regiment, assisted by the then, that Eckel was in the house and wide Jersey City Continentals, Captain Sanderson. awake at the time of the murder, and the accompanied by Sheriff Beaty; Under-Sheriff supposition naturally is, that he was conceal- large number of citizens, continued visiting soon as he made his appearance, and tuen o'clock in the morning. At that time all cause of the explosion is not definitely known went down and looked out at the hall door. probably for the purpose of seeing if there was a favorable chance to convey the body guard. They were releived in the morning had been in use for four or five years, and it out of the house. The marks of blood in the by the National Guards of Hoboken. hall leading to the outside door, and on the knob of the door, which have been hitherto unaccounted for, may now be explained by the supposition that Eckel committed the ral at Hudson City, his services were brought deed, and as he passed along the dark hall to into requisition in attending to the case of the door, touched the wall with bloody hands i cined to their own chamber, amid the great to guide himself. This is by far the most convincing evidence that has yet been offered, It was literally breaking up in a row. As and the man Farrell seems to be worthy of ling the building their attention was attract. and window shutters for a considerable disthe grave and reverend senior started from all credit. He gives as the reason for not ed by loud and awful groaning. A light was tance were more or less injured. we all thorough National Democrats, and the hall a multitude of voices oried "Mr. coming forward before that he is a poor man, and thorough Mathors and Speaker," but the house soon quieted down af with a family to support by his daily labor, discovered lying insensible upon the floor, men or enumeration and the discussion of met. and he was afraid the Coroner would; lock bruised out, and covered with blood, one are as follows: John Stoughton; engineer, as

detained on the charge of being accessory to the crime, and every day new evidence is coming out, making stronger and more cer-

tain the suspicion of their guilt. We have had another one of those pe riodical catastrophes, which are peculiar to riodical catastrophes, which are peculiar to but little hope of her recovery. people put up buildings that take up three dation for. There was a five story building peared to have been, inflicted with a jack kuife. The doctor probed the one under the on the corner of Bleeker and Mercer streets, right arm, and immediately pronounced it which was used as a very extensive cabinet fatal the knife having entered the lung, manufactory and warehouse for fluished fur- causing internal hemorrhage. His wife stated niture. In the fifth story of this building, that a descent was made upon their dwelling with all this highly combustible material im-mediately beneath them, lived a man and his wife named Basel. On the night of Man wife, named Bosch. On the night of Monday, the 9th inst., this building took fire and burned to the ground. Bosch and his wife in the melee that she died yerterday. were in the fifth story, which was instantly made inaccessible by the fierce flames below; from Baltimore on Saturday, and was get there was no escape for them, and they both ting out of the Bergen stage when he was burned to death. The firemen tried their shot. best to save them, but no ladders were long Remember that O. Lathrop, of Spring- ingly cold again, there is no telling when enough, and the engines cannot raise water ville has the sole right to solicit subscriptions these dirty chains of miniature mountains will so high, so, as they were unable to kill down in this county for the American Statesman, dwindle to a level with the plains. While the fire in the lower stories, they were pow-character, was seized upon as a participant erless to save the sufferers. The pecuniary in the fight, and at once assigned a position loss was also very heavy, being something in the ranks between two soldiers, and march

Yours Truly,

From the N. Y. Times of Monday.

Terrible Rlot at Hudson City, N. J. counts from all the Western rivers, where The Corkonians and the Far-Downers-One Killed, Several Fatally Wounded-The

Military called out. Word having reached us, Saturday evening, that a terible riot was raging at the much increased by the excitement that the engaged in a shindy. more they said the less was understood.

engaged on the Bergen tunnel of the Erie Railroad, and Saturday being their mouthly pay-day, they celebrated as usual, with a grand carousal. Whiskey flowed freely, and

the village of shantees bordering on the tunfour others were soon pulled down. Stones, brickbats, clubs, and every imaginable missile iff of Hadson county, Henry B. Beaty, also residing in Hudson City, was quickly on the ground with a force, and despatchs were

Mayor C. V. Clickner, of Hoboken, with commendable alacrity, at once despatched orders to Col. Alex. Shaler, commandant of the first Regiment, and to the various military companies in the city. Some delay was experienced in sending to New York for cartridges, of which, unfortunately, the companies had but a small supply, and about 10 o'clock they were collected together, and at once proceeded to the scene of riot. The Highland Guards, Capt. James T. Hattield: National Guards, Capt. G. Van Horten ;-Hudson Rifles, Capt. F. W. Bohnsteadt; -Hudson Artillery, Capt. Wm. Hexamer, and

When about half way up Bergen hill, the military halted, at the order of Under-Sheriff John M. Francis, to wait until the wounds of prisoner could be dressed in order to escort him to the county prison, which caused a delay of half an hour.

Col. Shaler hoped to bring his men on the round before the rioters could discover them. but he was disappointed, as they had receive on the step, a man, who, from the description, ed intelligence that the "military were commust have been Dr. Burdell, walked up the ing and in a few minutes they had either steps and entered the house. In a minute or field or taken refuge in the various shunties two Fairell heard the cry of murder, and then about the ground. immediately the sound of a beavy fall, as of a

Several, however were arrrested while in the act of escaping, and immediately conveybarrel or some equally solid body being ed to jail. The Public School House was thrown on the floor. Soon after, in four or taken possession of by the "Orangemen," of soldiers from the National Guard. A great number were afterwards arrested.

It being suspected that a number of the aggressors had concealed themselves in the shafts, a guard was placed over each in order to secure them in the morning. Several desperate fellows were captured at daylight, when Francis, Mayor Clickner, of Hoboken, and a noise and rioting had ceased, and the First some attributing it to a defect in the boil-Continentals of Jersey City remaining on been suffered to become to low. The boiler

Dr. F. D. Mulford, of Hoboken, was early. at the scene of disturbance, and unremittingy labored during the night in dressing the wounds of the injured. Even before his arri-Patrick Flanagan, who was found by the doctor and Under Sheriff Francis, in an unoccupied saloon on the Bergen Hill road, beprocured from a neighboring house, and they nte ed the building where Flannegan was

been kept out of the way, solely by the feat facility for dressing his wounds, and he was he was blown twenty feet by the explosion; of being sent to jail until their evidence was wanted. Thus, then, stands the Dond street murder case at present—Snodgrass and the Misses Couningliam, who were in the house at the time of the murder, are liberated on whom, from the freeduce of whicker, were inbail; Mrs. Couningham and Mr. Eckel are conscious of passings events a wontan was being on the observe of being recessors to found; giving the name of Mrs. Mulligan, who had barely escaped with life from the flames of her burning shanty. She had sustained severe injuries from the clubs of the maddened rioters, Her head showed two terri-ble scalp wounds and her left shoulder blade was fractured. Yesterday evening there was

man named Kelly, who had been stabled in times as much sky-room as there is any foun- the chest in two places. The wounds ap-A little girl, whose father was among those

arrested on Saturday, was injured so seriously John Quinn was shot in the eye. not a participator in the riot. He arrived

Almost all of those arrested were injured in some way-for every man who was found by the military with head smashed, fingers cut, or having sustained injuries of any under so great a flood that the firemen have like \$50,000, on which the insurance was ed to prison. Those who needed medical care were furnished with it on arriving at

When the news of the riot had become known the greatest consternation pervailed throughout the city. Every man hurried to his home to protect his family, and adopted and brought into action all the means for security and defence at his command. Doors were barred and barricaded, windows darkened, and firearms, clubs, &c., were prepared to use if the emergency made them necessary. The families generally quartered themselves in the basements of their houses, as the saf-Erie railroad Improvements in Hudson City, est place in the case of an attack. All the (about two miles from the Sybil's cave in stores and many of the public buildings were to suffer, and the owners can only stand by Hoboken, we dispatched several of our re- closed at an early hour, and, excepting the and see them destroyed, without the power porters to the spot, who found, indeed, that tramp of the soldiery and the police authorit was a terrible riot. It took no little time lities, Hudson appeared like a deserted city in the confusion that prevailed, to get at its Happily the night passed, and the disturban origin-every man, woman and child having ces were not renewed, except at the shanties a different story to tell, and in a brouge so where small parties of Irishmen occasionaly

The Fourth of March.

Extensive preparations are making, a Washington, for the inauguration of Mr. Bu chanan. A large crowd of his friends and supporters will be present to witness his oath to his inaugural address. It will be a great Railroads. ~ day for Washington, and we trust will be the harbinger of bright and happy days for the whole confederacy.

It was not once so difficult to fill a of President as now. The States were few in number, the power of the nation lay along easy ta-k. But now, how different! So many flood. new States have come into the Union, so extended is the area of freedom, so vast is the erful the resources and progress of the western portions of the Union, so important has come our domain upon the coast of the commerce, that the President of the United States is become the head of one of the great. est nations in the world, and the Presidency |

political instrument. Fortunately for us, a most eminent statesman is about to take the helm, one of large capacity, large experience, and a large heart, one who will rank with the founders of the government in patriotism, and with the greatest men among their successors. This pinion is not confined to a few, it perades the whole country. If the Presidenial election was again to take place, with the feeling which prevails among the people. Mr. Buchanan would be elected almost unanmously. No man ever approached the Presidential chair with the popular confidence so deeply displayed towards him. Even his most violent opponents have changed their tone, and are willing to give him a

is no longer the place for a weak man, or a

general, if not warm, support. Mr. Buchanan's counse is plain and palnable. He has only to carry out his declarations to administer the government for the good of the whole nation, and to know no North or South, no East or West, in the administration of public affairs, to secure himself an imperishable fame. Nov is this at all inconsistent with a due appreciation of his responsibilities to his political friends. Into the hands of the democratic party it is expected he will place the official power which t is for him to delgate to subordinate authorities. It is the established course of things, and cannot be objected to. He must of course select the best men from his majorities, for without that the majority could not be justly represented. That he will do so, no one who knows him can doubt for a moment. Let his hands, then, be strengthened by his friends, let unity mark our support, and cordiality go with confidence .- N. Y. Atlas.

The Steam Boiler Explosion at Black Rock Dam.

We learn from the Buffalo Republic, of the 1th, instant, that the boiler of the steamoump at work pumping out the water at Black rock dam exploded at 10 o'clock, P. M., yesterday, instantly killing seven men. At the time of the explusion most of the

hands were at dinner, otherwise a much

greater loss of life must have ensued. The

Regiment were dismissed for the night, the er, and others insisting that the water had is more than probable that it was defective. The engine was situated in the middle of the canal, and it was blown into a thousand pieces; one of the cylanders was thrown into the middle of the river, a distance of 5000 feet. Pieces of the engine-were thrown two or three squares off, and the windows of the houses along the canal, and of the mill near by were all broken by the shock. One of the flues of the boiler struck the door sill of longing to Mr. Overly. As they were pass a grocery and smashed the door, in ; doors

At the time of the explosion only two men were in the boiler house, the others being standing about. The names of the killed

he was blown twenty feet by the explosion; william Stoughton, brother of the engineer, alleg hadly broken; Michael Brannan, leg broken.

The bodies of the killed were horribly mutiliated openful them had one side of his hand taken completely off, the brains of another were scattered over the logs and stones in the violativ; and another, we were informed was don't elected; and further, that the vote of the engineer was don't elected; and further, that the vote of tilaled one of them had one side of his hand cut in twain. The wife of the engineer was dely elected; and further, that the vote of in the city at the time of the accident, and Wisconsin could not be counted without a was ignorant of her bereavment at dark last violation of the provisions of the Constitution

The Flood at Albany.

ALBANY, Feb. 10,-The water receded considerably last night, but is still very high? !! No mail has been received by the Hudson River Railroad. It is reported that two families, on the Is-

land opposite the city have perished.

St. Johns Church has been seriously dum.

Mr. Dunn said it should be distinctly stated aged by the flood, which lipped up the pews. whether the vote of Wisconsin was counted Much suffering has been occasioned from or not ... Q of the correction of the the want of drinking water. All the water pipes in the lower part of the city are either frozen or submerged.

Large quantities of grain stored on the sec- jected; that the President of the Senste ruled ond floors of the warehouses have been damaged by the water rising above them.

its support. The Relief Committee is very active in releaving the wants of the destitute; and Soup Houses have been opened near the overflowed

Flood at Chicago. CHICAGO, Feb. 10 .- The flood has occasioned mmense damage in this vicinity, to the rail Kansas. roads, bridges, mills, Telegraphs, &c. On Friday last, at Aurora, two brilges, saw mill; a planing mill a carriage factory with large quantities of lumber, were swept

off. It is also feared that several lives were The Rock Island Railroad bridge at Mor ris is gone, and also the Michigan Central Railroad bridge at Ypsilanti, and the bridge at Niles, together with several over the St. Joseph's and Kalamazoo rivers.
Both branches of the Chicago river rose several feet on Saturday. The southern por tions of the city are still submerged, but the

river is now falling. The damage to the Chicago, Builington and Quincy Railroads is estimated at \$100,

The Missouri River.

Sr. Louis, Feb. 9 .- The Mississippi has isen about eighteen feet since Saturday morning, and is still rising, and immense quanti ties of ice coming down. The Missouri is open above Jefferson city, and is pouring out a high flood. The Illinois is open all the way, and has

risen twelve or fifteen feet at Peoria, and is still rising. The Upper Mississippi is rising, but it not known how far it is open. Heavy rains have been general throughout the West, and fidelity to the Constitution, and to listen | numerous land slides have occured along the

New Haven. Feb. 10 .- The late thaw has produced a tremendous flood in the valleys of the Housatonic and Naugatuck. The towns

damage to an immense amount. Several a narrow slip of the Atlantic coast, our glo- bridges, barns, and houses have been swept rious West was a wilderness, and cotton away. The Naugatuck Railroad depot is was not yet king. The difficulties of ad- completely flooded, and large quatities of ministering the government were comparatively few, and national legislation was an railr and are impassable on account of the

The Susquenauna.

We learn from Harrisburg that the Cumberland Valley bridge has not been carried away. Several of the piers were injured; but not materially. The ice on the railroad be-Pacific, and so wide and extended is our tween Harrisbury and Middletown has been removed. Columbia bridge has been injured; but not

seriously. A great deal of property along the river has been destroyed. The Pennsylvania Railroad bridge, crossing.

he Juniata near Birmingham, has been washed away, but it will not interfere materially with the trayel on the road.

The state of the s XXXIVth Congress-Second Session.

Washington, Feb. 11. SENATE. - The Senate met at 12 o'clock and immediately repaired to the hall of the House to take part in opening and counting the votes for President and Vice President of the United States, in pursuance of a resolution adopted some days since.

The further proceedings were interrupted by the arrival of the hour of 12, the time fixed for the opening and counting of the votes of the electors of the several States for President and Vice President of the United States The Senators, accompanied by the officers of that body, entered the chamber, the members of the House receiving them standing. The President of the Senate took his seat at the right of the Speaker.

Mr. Bigler, on the part of the Senate, and Mr. Jones, of Tennessee, and Howard of Michionn, on the part of the House, appeared us

tellers, and occupied the Clerk's desk. The President appounced the object of the meeting, it being pursuant to law, and in obedience to the concurrent order of the two

The President first opened the vote of the State of Maine, which was read by the tellers and the other States followed in rotation. House. - Mr. Barbour moved a re-consid eration of the vote by which the Senate Sub-Marine Telegraph bill was referred to the

Committee on Post offices. The motion was entered, probably to be considered to-morrow. Mr Washburne, of Maine, under the in struction of the Committee on Elections made a report, concluding with a resolution, that John W. Whitfield is not entitled to a sea

in this House as a Delegate from Kansas, and moved that the further consideration of the subject be postponed until Saturday next. Mr. Oliver, of Missouri, moved to lay the resolution on the table, and made a minority report, and asked to have the memorial of Mr. Whitfield in response to the report of the majority of the committee read ...

SENATE. The Senate met at noon, as usu-I but transacted no business of importance House .- Mr. Jones, of Tenn., offered a resolution that a committee be appointed, consisting of two members of the House and one member of the Senate, to wait upon James Buchanan and John C. Breckenridge, and inform thein that they have been duly elect ed President and Vice President of the U. S. for four years from the 4th of March 1857. Mr. Jones said this resolution, was agreed

on by the tellers. Mr. Humphrey Marshall knew, that these gentlemen were elected, and was as much in avor of making that declaration as any gene leman could be, but desired this meliminares transacted agreeable to the forms of the Constitution. Yesterday the President of the

it not having been cast on the day designated

The Speaker declared the resolution one of order, the journal showing the declaration of a President and Vice President, made yesterday. To receive the reso. lution would disaffirm that fact. Besides, the House had constitutionally approved the journal. [] [] Mr. Dunn said it should be distinctly stated

journal of vesterday, so as to show that Mr. Orr moved that the vote of Wisconsin be rehe motiot out of order, and that while both Houses were together, ou motion of a Sena-The State street bridge has been raised tor, the Senate retired for consultation, and several feet above the iron columns forming in that manner the convention was broken

P. The House sustained the Speakers decis

The vote was then announced on the moion made yesterday by Mr. Akers, to lay on the table the resolution reported from the Committee on Elections, declaring Mr. Whitfield not entitled to his seat as Delegate from The motion was negatived by two majori-

Seria ser regissent Feb. 18: SERATE .- Mr. Bell, of Tenne gave notice

of his intentien to introduce a bill providing for a just and fair distribution of the proceeds of the sale of the public lands among all the States, according to their respective population.

On motion of Mr. Weller, a resolution was adopted requesting the Secretary of War to communicate copies of all the reports, which may have been made to that Department by the officers who were sent to the seat of war n Europe in 1855 and 1850. The Senate then proceeded to the consideration of pri-

House.-The House passed several private bills including one giving a pension to a black man who acted as a spy in the war of 1812.

SENATE.—On motion of Mr. Weller the Senate proceeded to the consideration of the House bill for the construction of a wagon road from Fort Kearhey! via. of the South Pass of the Rocky mountains and the Great Salt Lake Valley, to the Eastern portion of California, which passed finally.
On motion of Mr. Toomby, the Senate Look

up the Minnesota Land bill, introduced by im the other day, its compliance with the memorial of Gens Shields had others a 2001

House The Speaker haid before the House a communication from the Secretary of War, recommending, an appropriation of \$10,000 for instituting a series of researches for the more effectually manufacturing nitre. The House then proceeded to the consideration of private bills, 🐇 🌬 🚉

Pennsylvania Legislature

HARRISBURG, Feb. 11th, 1857. SENATE .- The bill to incorporate the Cenral Insurance Company of Philadelphia was eported negatively, and also the bill to incorporate the Lecodin Marble Company. The following bills were reported favoraoly: To incorporate the Connecticut and Schuvkill Coal and Iron Company: to incorporate the Lime Manufacturing Company, of Philadelphia; to incorporate the Philalelphia Plate Glass Manufacturing Company; a bill relative to Insurance Companies: to in-

cornorate the Philadelphia and Trenton Steamboat Company.
Mr. Lewis read in place a bill concerning Turnpike and Plank Road Companies. The unendment to tax the dividends was further discussed by Messrs. Browne, Penrose.

Stianb and Walton, and then agreed toyeas 22, nas 9. The bill was then negatived -year 15:

cays 17. A motion was made to re-consider the vote; pending which the Senate adjourned. House .- The Committee on Banks report-

d a supplement to the General Banking Zaw. The bill to incorporate the Hamilton Insurance Company was negatived. Mr. Hancook read in place a bill to taxdeposits in Banks, which was referred to a special committee of five.

Mr. Wharton read a bill to regulate elec-

Mr. Dock read a supplement to the Consolidation Act. The Columbia and Reading Railroad bill

was postponed till Wednesday next. HARRISBURG, Feb. 13th. SENATE.—The following bills were reported favorably: A bill for the relief of Haunah Stoop, of Philadelphia; a bill to incorporate the Hanover Iron Company; a bill to incorporate the Pennsylvania Farina Company; a bill concerning Turnpike and Plank Road Companies; a supplement to the act incorpor ating the Lumberville and Delaware Bridge

Company. The suplement to the act incorporating the Pennsylvania Coal Company, authorizing the company to make a railroad into New Jersey, was discussed and postnoned.

Mr. Wright read in place a bill to authorize the Twenty-first Ward, of Philadelphia, to elect a Member of the Board of Guardians... Mr. Penrose, a bill relative to the naturalization of furgigners by the Courts. Mr. Brower, a bill providing for the sale of

the Franklin Railroad.

Mr. Souther, a bill to regulate the navigation of the west branch of the Susquehanna. Mr. Gordon, a bill to secure and facilitate the collection of the public revenue; also, a bill to incorporate the Bedford Mineral Spring Association.

House. The bill authorizing executors and administrators to administer oatled in certain cases was considered and indefinitely postponed, as was also the bill relative to cemeteries, and a bill concerning the bill of A resolution was adopted to hold afternoon

sessions on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The following bills passed fibally: to in-corporate the Oak Hill Shaft Mining Company; to incorporate the Ducannon Iron Company to authorize John Sparbawk, trustee of Eliza A. Campell, of Philadelphia, to annul a certain trust. The bill giving to Justices, with a July of ix, authority to hear and determine misdemeanors of a low grade, was debated at some

length, and was still pending when the house Hannispung, Feb. 14th. SENITE. Mr. Browne read in place a bill