temptation; and the wife shuddered, though circled by her husband's arm, when she saw how far her giddy wilfulness had led him astray.

'Let us have our home,' said she.

'But I cannot offer you such a one as you deserve now, Nelly. My losses are far more than you imagine, and they are what the world calls debts of honor. I have to retrieve my fortune by patient industry.'

'It will be far better than I deserve, since my folly has been the cause.'

'Nay, it was my weakness that yielded to an old temptation.'

'But I placed it before you.'

'Love works wonders, doesn't it, Kate?' was Willie Grant's remark as they left the cheerful parlor over which Mrs. Morgan now presided.—They kept their own secret; but I am just curious enough to like to know what sobered Nelly down so suddenly, and why Morgan chooses to commence housekeeping on such a very economical scale. For them I mean. His business is better than it ever was. He is rising very fast.'

Yes, as all husbands and wives should do, they had kept the secret of their mutual folly and repentance; and day after day, as Nelly Morgan went to her light household tasks, she entered upon them more cheerfully, for the thought of the little self-denial they involved was an acknowledgement, if not an expiation, of her grievous fault.

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PITTSBURGH:

THURSDAY MORNING, APRIL 3, 1851.

☞ "*No American citizen can ever cease to esteem the Union as the first of all blessings. Disunion! God forbid—Nations yet unborn would rue the rashness of the deed.*"—BUCHANAN.

Democratic State Conventions.

AT READING,

For nominating candidates for GOVERNOR and CANAL COMMISSIONER, on the 4th of June, 1851, as fixed by the Williamsport Convention.

AT HARRISBURG,

For nominating candidates for SUPREME BENCH, on the 11th of June, 1851, as fixed by the regular action of the State Central Committee.

To Advertisers.

THE MORNING POST has a larger circulation than any subscription paper published in Pittsburgh. To business men it affords an excellent medium for Advertising, and being the only Democratic paper issued in Allegheny county, it goes into the hands of a class of readers reached by no other paper. Advertisers will be good enough to bear this in mind.

☞ The letter of our Harrisburg correspondent, published in to-day's paper, will be read with more than ordinary interest, not only by every Pittsburgher, but by every citizen of Western Pennsylvania. It will be seen that the subject of Railroads is occupying, at present, the attention of the Legislature. It is perfectly evident that if the citizens and Legislature of Pennsylvania allow New York and Massachusetts to run their Railroads through the Northern portion of the State, without making any provision for the establishment of a Railroad from the Ohio river to Lake Erie, the consequences will be disastrous to the people of every section of our good old Commonwealth.

Complimentary.

The city press, without exception, have given highly complimentary notices of our business partner, Mr. LAYTON, for which evidence of friendship and good will, he desires us to return his sincere and heart-felt thanks. In justice to Mr. L., who is a stranger to most of our distant friends and subscribers, we copy a few of these friendly notices:

NEWSPAPER CHANGE.—Mr. Harper, of the *Pittsburgh Morning Post*, announces in his paper of yesterday that he has sold the one-half of that established journal to Mr. JOHN LAYTON, who has been some years the confidential clerk of the office. Mr. Layton is a very agreeable gentleman, of a good business capacity, and we doubt not he will manage the financial business affairs of the paper with skill and profit.—*Pittsburgh Gazette.*

THE MORNING POST has now two proprietors, Mr. Harper having disposed of half the establishment to Mr. John Layton, hitherto the clerk. Promotion could not be better bestowed than on Mr. Layton, and were it not for the dreadful political heresies of Harper, we should invoke, as we suppose we dare predict, a prosperous career for the new firm.—*Commercial Journal.*

THE MORNING POST yesterday announced over the signature L. Harper, that one half of the concern had been disposed of to *Mr. John Layton.*—The very high character given to Mr. Layton in the article announcing the new arrangement, is richly deserved by him. A long and intimate acquaintance with Mr. Layton, enables us to endorse the very complimentary remarks of his partner, Mr. Harper. We need not add that the Post has our best wishes for its success, and that the new arrangement may prove pleasant to the proprietors, and formidable in the cause of "unterrified and indomitable Democracy."—*Morning Chronicle.*

The "Noise and Confusion" Business.

We recently laid before our readers a correspondence between J. W. GRAY and H. V. WILLSON, Esqs., of Cleveland, and the Hon. RUDOLPHUS WOOD, Governor of Ohio, in which the "noise and confusion" stories of the Whigs in relation to Gen. CASS were completely knocked into a cocked hat. This however, has not, prevented the Whig papers from continuing to villify and misrepresent the opinions of the distinguished Senator from Michigan on the subject of River and Harbor Improvements. To put the slanders at rest, now and forever, we publish below an extract from a speech delivered by Gen. CASS, in the U. S. Senate, a few days before the adjournment, in reply to an article in the Washington *Republic.*

Gen. CASS said:

'I ask any Senator on this floor if he believes I ever sheltered myself under the words "noise and confusion," to prevent giving my opinions at Cleveland, or if he sees any inconsistency between my declarations and votes on that subject? If he does, he will oblige me by stating it, that I may remove it. I pause for a reply.—

No reply being made, I take it for granted that, in the *opinion of the Senate*, these charges *are unfounded*; and hereafter I shall leave them to their fate, to be believed or not, as falsehood or truth may prevail.

We do not expect the Whig press to retract their slanders concerning Gen. CASS. They have not magnanimity enough for that.

☞ Mrs. Fairfield, mother of the late poet, Sumner Lincoln Fairfield, is in this city collecting subscriptions for the works of her son, now being published. She is about seventy years of age and crippled, and is endeavoring by the sale of these volumes to raise means for the support of her son's children and herself.—*Detroit Free Press.*

Mrs. FAIRFIELD has been at the same business to our certain knowledge, for the last twelve years. She will have a pretty large subscription list by and by. Persevere, old lady!

☞ Our friends of the Blairsville *Apalachian* are informed that Dr. W. H. MULLER, author of the series of articles recently published in the *Post*, under the caption of "What is Christian Socialism," and copied into the *Apalachian*, besides in Zelienople, Butler county, and not in Steubenville, Ohio.

SPECIE IN NEW ORLEANS.—The New Orleans *Picayune* of the 23d instant says:

"Upon a careful inquiry into the quantity of specie held by our banks, we find they have on hand over eight millions and a half. This is the largest amount ever accumulated at one time in the vaults of our banking institutions. This heavy amount cannot fail to have a salutary influence upon the finances and commerce of the city, and, under the discreet management of the boards of directors, can be made extremely useful."

Scribblings and Clippings.

— AMOS GREEN, a negro, convicted of rape on a married white woman named JOSEPHINE PEYER, near the Laurel factory, in Maryland, was on Friday sentenced in the Howard District Court to suffer the penalty of death.

— The Cherokee and the Prometheus left New York on Friday for Chagres—the former carrying out 305 passengers, one hundred of whom are laborers for the Panama Railroad.

— Ex-Senator JOHN F. BEAVER, of Ohio, has sold his farm, and is going to erect a mill for the manufacture of "gin cotton," at Newton Falls. We hope his enterprise will succeed.

— The Bill relating to the Pittsburgh and Erie Railroad Company, and the Franklin Canal Company, passed the Pennsylvania Senate on Saturday.

— A despatch from Detroit, March 29th, says: The Lansing whigs held a caucus on the 25th, and nominated Gen. WINFIELD SCOTT for the Presidency, subject to the decision of the National Whig Convention.

— Hon. R. C. SCHENCK, Minister to Brazil; FRANKLIN H. CLACK, Secretary of Legation, and the Hon. JOHN S. PENDLETON, Charge d'Affaires to the Argentine Republic, are, about the 1st prox., to embark from Norfolk in the steamship Susquehanna.

— The city of Frederick, Md., with 6,000 inhabitants, has only four police officers, performing day and night duty, at an annual salary to each of only forty dollars.

— The Hermann sailed from New York for Southampton on Saturday last, with fifty-five passengers and $40,000 in specie. Some of the cargo is for the World's Fair.

— The bill to form a new county, to be called Pleasants, out of Wood, Tyler and Ritchie, has passed the Virginia House of Delegates. The bill establishing the county of Dpsher, out of Randolph, Barbour and Lewis, has passed both Houses.

— Dr. ZADOC HOWE, of Billerica, Mass., who died lately, left $3,000 to the Bible Society, and the remainder of his property is to be applied to the erection and maintenance of a high school in Billerica. He has named as trustees 4 Unitarians, one Orthodox Congregationalist, one Baptist and one Universalist.

— "The Commonwealth," Free Soil newspaper, in Boston, has been sold by the trustees to Messrs. W. DAMRELL & Co. It don't appear to thrive, showing that there are not as many abolitionists at the North as Southern mischief-makers would have us believe.

— Rev. C. S. KINGSLEY and wife, Rev. L. C. WOODWARD and wife, for Oregon; Rev. CHAS. MCCLAY and wife, Rev. DAVID A. DRYDEN and wife, and Rev. A. L. BATEMAN, sailed on the 28th ultimo, in the Cherokee, as missionaries of the Methodist Episcopal Church, for California.

— The Shoe Trade enters largely into the general business of Norfolk, Va. Last week, at the extensive establishment of W. H. ADDINGTON, a partner of the house of FRENCH & ROGERS, N. Y., purchased 63,000 worth for San Francisco, declaring that the 1000—both the price and time allowed—were far better than he could get in New York.

— COTTON CONUNDRUM.—The present state of the cotton market has suggested the following conundrum. When is cotton not cotton? When it is *down.*—*N. O. Delta.*

— Hon. LINN BOYD, of Ky., Dem., is candidate for re-election in the first district. It is not probable that he will have opposition.

— General WILLIAM CULLEN is the Whig candidate for Congress in the Nashville district, Tennessee. A few days before his nom ination, he killed THOMAS WINSON, at a distance of one hundred yards, with a rifle—a good shot.

— The subscription proposed to be voted for by the town of Cadiz, Ohio, on the 7th inst., to the Steubenville and Indiana Railroad is upon condition that said road construct a branch to Cadiz.

— The Hon. HENRY S. FOOTE, Hon. WILLIAM L. SHARKEY, and the Hon ANOS R. JOHNSTON, have been nominated on the "Union ticket," as candidates to represent Hinds county, Miss., in the State Convention.

— The subject of providing an institution in Canada, for the education of the deaf and dumb, is agitated in some of the Canadian papers. The number of deaf mutes in that province is estimated at seven hundred and fifty.

— There are now six persons in prison on suspicion of being parties to the late horrible tragedy in Kent co., Md; and although it is believed that the guilty are in custody, yet it is feared the proof will be too weak for their conviction

— A merry bachelor says that wives who are good needle-women are like the enemy spoken of in the parable; they sow *tares* while the husband-men sleep.

— THOMAS LAWLOR, an Irishman, about 45 years old, was run over on the dock at Bristol, R. I., on Sunday morning, under circumstances which lead to the belief that he has been murdered.

Plank Road Convention.

In pursuance of previous notice, a Convention composed of Delegates from Butler, Lawrence and Mercer counties, convened at Harlansburg, March 28, 1851. Convention organised by appointing JOHNSON KNIGHT, Esq., of Portersville, President; JOHN MCGILL, of Mercer, JOHN W. RIDDLE, of Portersville, and O. H. GOULD, of Leesburg, Vice Presidents; and *John Hull*, of Portersville, and *T. M. Clark*, of Mercer, Secretaries.

JOHN W. RIDDLE, Esq., being called upon, stated the object of the meeting to be to adopt measures for the construction of a Plank Road from Harmony to Mercer, *via* Portersville, Harlansburg and Leesburg.

After the appointment of committees on business, a number of resolutions were adopted, from which we select the following:

Resolved, That in the opinion of this Convention a Plank Road communication, by the nearest and Eric, is an important and desirable object, and that the nearest and most practicable route for such a road is by way of Zelienople, Portersville, Harlansburg, Leesburg, Mercer, Georgeville and Meadville.

Resolved, That the Agricultural and Mineral resources of the counties through which it is proposed to construct the road are not surpassed, if equalled, by any counties in Western Pennsylvania, and that these immense resources, connected with the known wealth, enterprise, industry and energy of the people, must make the stock a profitable investment.

Resolved, That the proposed route is greatly preferable in every respect to the one through Prospect, Centreville and Harmonville, and the country far superior in agricultural and mineral wealth.

Resolved, That it is the interest and desire of all those interested in the proposed road to have the Perrysville and Zelienople Plank Road Company extend their road along this route, and they are hereby earnestly requested to do so.

Railroad Meeting.

The last number of the Clarion *Democrat* contains the proceedings of a Railroad meeting, held in the village of Greenville, of which Mr. PHILIP CORNETT was Chairman, for the purpose of adopting measures to establish a communication by Railroad along the valley of the Allegheny from Pittsburgh to Olean. After setting forth the necessity for such a work, the meeting passed the following among other resolutions:

Resolved, That connection by railroad, from or near Olean, in New York, to Pittsburgh, would secure all the above objects; and inasmuch as the Allegheny river, by Warren, the Clarion river and Redbank routes, have been recommended, we deem it at this time inexpedient to point out or recommend any particular route, but would leave this important business to those who may be hereafter interested and properly authorised to examine and survey the different routes, to choose the one which may combine the most advantages.

Resolved, That we invite the special attention of the N. Y. Railroad Company to this branch of public improvement.

Resolved, That we ask, by petition, the Legislature to grant the right of way to make a Railroad between the above mentioned places; and that we ask the special attention of our Representatives, now in session, to obtain the right of way, leaving the route open to examination, as above mentioned.

Resolved, That we appoint the Hon. C. Myers, R. P. McClay, John S. Rhoy, Reynolds Laughlin, and Thomas McKee, delegates to a State Convention, to be held at Harrisburg, to carry out the views of this meeting.

Cadet Appointment in 1851.

The following is a list of Cadet Appointments in 1851, for Pennsylvania: Timothy M. Bryan, jr., 2d Congressional district; Henry W. Freedly, 5th Congressional district; Cornelius Van Camp, 8th Congressional district; Charles D. Emery, 13th Congressional district; Lewis Merrill, 13th Congressional district; Edward L. Hartz, 14th Congressional district; Michael P. Small, 15th Congressional district; Daniel McM. Gregg, 17th Congressional district.

FROM HARRISBURG.

[CORRESPONDENCE OF THE MORNING POST.]

NUMBER LI.

HARRISBURG, March 29.

My Dear Post:—Inasmuch as legislative affairs at Harrisburg are just now bearing upon some matters of interest to your section of the Commonwealth, we have decided to give you a few items in relation thereto, and our own opinions upon the future and final result of the whole matter.

In the first place, you are aware that there are two chartered companies in existence in the western part of the State, both of which *claim* the right to construct a railroad from Erie, along the Lake shore, to the Ohio State line, to wit: the Pittsburgh and Erie Railroad Company, and the Franklin Canal Company. Both of these companies have surveyed, placed under contract this Lake Shore Road, and actually commenced the work. It is a curious fact, nothwithstanding all this strife between these companies to build this line of improvement, that neither of them have any right to do so, except an assumed one growing out of an evasive construction placed upon their charters, both of which, it appears, have more latitude than longitude; and both companies are suspected by the people of the West, and by the Legislature, with the design to extend latitudinally from Erie to the Ohio line, connecting with the great New York and Ohio lines, and limiting their longitude towards Pittsburgh or Franklin to the extent *absolutely necessary* to accomplish their prime and original object.

This action on the part of these companies is, at least, an imposition upon the Legislature and the public; but they have overreached or gotten a little ahead of the Legislature, in the present state of affairs, and it is now deemed advisable to decide, by further enactments, between these companies, and secure, if possible, the completion of the entire line from Erie to Pittsburgh, or to some point on the Pennsylvania and Ohio Road, making a direct railroad communication between those points. This is now thought to be the only practical course in which to legislate upon the subject, though it is at the same time believed that an act, or a provision, prohibiting either of these companies from making the Lake Road, or forming any connection between the New York and Ohio lines in any manner whatever, would be most advisable and politic, could such an act or provision be effected at the present session of the Legislature.

A bill has to day passed the Senate treating the Franklin Canal Company as an imposition or a fraud, and giving the right contended for by them to the Pittsburgh and Erie Company, provided they shall in five years complete the entire line to Pittsburgh, or to some point on the Pennsylvania and Ohio Road as above stated.

An effort, however, will be made in the other branch to deny the right to make this Lake Road to both of the above mentioned companies, and bring the advantage and value which is known to be identified with it to bear in favor of the Sunbury and Erie route, which really has more friends in the Legislature than any other in the State of Pennsylvania. Indeed, a reconsideration of the vote of the Senate upon the measure pending may be made, for the purpose of engrafting upon it some such restrictive or prohibitory provisions.

Judge Ives, one of the best Senators that Pennsylvania ever had in her Chamber, moved such an amendment to-day, and urged the same with an argument as convincing as it was eloquent, but it failed by one vote.

Gen. Packer, Mr. Crabb, Mr. Matthias and several other Senators, think this, above all, the best course for the interests of the State; but if it cannot be effected they will go for giving the exclusive power to the Pittsburgh and Erie Company.

The interest of Pittsburgh and the extreme West is undoubtedly connected with this company; that is, if they are compelled to open a line of railroad from Pittsburgh to Erie, but they have as much interest against a connection between the great New York and Ohio roads, which will throw the Lake trade entirely beyond their reach, as any part of Pennsylvania can have. This Lake road is the most promising locality to capitalists for a railroad on the continent of America—perhaps in the world; and while it is conceded that the stock of the Pittsburgh and Erie Company will be made up of New York capital, it is felt to be important that the capital invested in that important link of public highways should be owned and controlled by a Pennsylvania company, with a Pennsylvania interest. It is well understood that if the Sunbury and Erie road is ever built it must be done with Pennsylvania capital, as New York has no interest for the road, but much against it, because of its rival character. This view of the subject gives the Sunbury route a preference in the hearts as well as in the minds of Pennsylvanians, and will give that route the preference in this contest, if it can possibly be effected. If not, the Pittsburgh and Erie Company will get the privilege of making the Lake shore road, and will be obliged to complete a road from the vicinity of Mercer to the borough of New Castle, or some point on the Ohio and Pennsylvania road, and stock the same for use before they can make any dividends whatever. They will, also, in that event, be compelled to complete the entire line before they can make dividends greater than six per cent. They will, also, be prohibited from making any discriminations in fixing their rates of toll in favor of merchandize passing towards New York or Ohio, under the penalty of forfeiture of their charter.

The Canal Commissioners will, at the same time, have power to discriminate in favor of Pennsylvania, and thus it is hoped to result in bringing the burdens of trade over our public works, or the Central Railroad, and to a Pennsylvania market. Many, however, think that Eastern Pennsylvania has very little interest in this enterprise, inasmuch as it will have the effect to open a communication between the waters of the Ohio and the Lakes, and become a thoroughfare for the State of New York. We think so too, but still are in favor of opening all possible avenues to commerce, and enhancing the value of property everywhere. As ever,

FRANKLIN.

Board of Trustees to West Point.

The following is a list of the names of the gentlemen invited to attend the examination of the Cadets in June next, at the Military Academy at West Point:

1.—Robert H. Gardener, esq., Maine.
2.—William Dwight, esq., Massachusetts.
3.—Professor A. W. Smith, Connecticut.
4.—Hon. Francis Granger, New York.
5.—Gen. George Cadwalader, Pennsylvania.
6.—Gen. James L. Gaither, Maryland.
7.—Professor James Phillips, North Carolina.
8.—Col. William P. Bowen, Georgia.
9.—Anthony H. Dunlevy, esq., Ohio.
10.—Henry W. Huntington, esq., Louisiana.
11.—Dr. Samuel Breck, Alabama.
12.—Hon. Thomas Randall, Florida.
13.—Rev. John M. Lathrop, LL. D., Wisconsin.
14.—Gen. Jesse B. Browne, Iowa.
15.—Hon. Jefferson Davis, Mississippi.

Something about Minnesota.

Our old friend D. A. ROBERTSON, formerly Marshal of Ohio, and at present editor of the Minnesota *Democrat*, published at Saint Paul, gives some very interesting information in relation to that new and flourishing territory in his paper of the 12th of March. He says:—The progress of Minnesota during the present year in the towns, and in the country, will astonish every body. We have the soil, the climate, and the market—the best market this side of California—in short, every essential to successful agriculture, except a sufficient number of farmers to supply the home demand.

"We expect a considerable immigration of farmers on the opening of navigation. They will find plenty of valuable government land to claim, preempt or enter, in all surveyed parts of the Territory, except within, say, five miles around St. Paul, and the immediate vicinity of Stillwater and St. Anthony Falls. We regret that all the public land is not free, in limited quantities to actual settlers only.—Yet, as it is, farmers will find no difficulty in getting started and making money, with even but small means at the commencement.

"An industrious, thrifty, intelligent farmer or mechanic is certain of success in Minnesota. We are not aware of any honest business or profession, that is crowded here, except the legal profession. We have almost as many lawyers as clients. But few of them do half as well in money making, as they could at farming or working at a trade.

"Capital can be invested here to great advantage. A moderate amount of money—two or three thousand dollars—will enable a business man to accomplish as much as he could with three or four times that sum in any of the old States.

"To all who have written us for information, excepting only young lawyers, without means or legal experience, we say come—come with the implements of trade and husbandry—come with stout arms, resolute purpose, honest hearts, intelligent minds and healthy bodies, and you will thrive and accumulate property."

Gen. Scott and his Platform.

A late number of the New York *Herald* says:

The movement commenced by Mr. Clayton, in Delaware, last fall, and followed up by Governor Seward and his school of N. York politicians, bids fair to make Gen. Scott the especial candidate, for 1852, of the free soil and most of the outside factions of the North. The late successes of Seward in this State, over the combined forces of Tammany Hall, Castle Garden, and the government at Washington, may also lead to the blending of the administration in support of Gen. Scott as the "higher law" candidate. As he now stands before the country, he is the man of all men, for rallying under a common standard, all the fragments, of all shades and stripes, of anti slavery and Native Americanism in the North. His letter, from West Point, 1849, is explicitly in favor of the annexation of Canada, and all the fugitive slaves there—his letter of June 1850, to the Governor of Virginia, on Native Americanism, in 1844, is especially adapted to the Natives; while his splendid victories in Mexico will sweep the rank and file of the whig party as a fire sweeps the dry grass of the prairies. Such a candidate, as the whig nominee, and with the support of all the outside fragments of the old parties, must be irresistible in the North.—But something more, and a good deal less, will be required, if anything is expected of Mr. Fillmore at present, however, the fortunes of Mr. Fillmore and Gen. Scott appear to be held between the fore finger and thumb of W. H. Seward.

The Bible at the World's Fair.

Foreign papers state that the Committee of the British and Foreign Bible Society have secured for their society a place in the Chrystal Palace in London, where the labors, in which they have been engaged for the last forty-six years, may be examined. The Scriptures may there be seen and read *in one hundred and fifty languages and dialects.* In connexion with this the following brief remarks of an English writer are exceedingly appropriate and will be read with interest:

To many, (says Anderson,) it might seem too bold, were we to affirm that the English Bible is at present in the act of being perused from the rising to the setting sun. The assertion might appear little else than a figure of speech, or an exertion of fancy, and yet this is no more than the literal *half* of the truth.—The English Bible, at this moment, is the only version in existence on which the sun never sets. We know that it is actually in use on the banks of the Ottawy and St. Lawrence, as we as at Sydney, Port Phillip and Hobart Town; but before his evening rays have left the spires of Quebec and Montreal, his morning beams have already shone for hours upon the shores of Australia and New Zealand. And if it be read by so many of our language in Canada, while the sun is sinking on Lake Ontario; in the eastern world, where he has risen in his glory on the banks of the Ganges, to the self same Sacred Volume, many who are no less our countrymen have already turned. Yet are all these but the branches from the parent stock, under whose shade this version, corrected, and recorrected, has been read by myriads, for the re hundred years.

Free Banks in Virginia.

The following banks, on the free banking principle, have been chartered by the Legislature of Virginia:

The Merchants' Bank at Lynchburg, with a capital of not less than $500,000, nor more than $900,000. The Central Bank at Staunton, with a capital of not less than $150,000, nor more than 300,000.

Bills for incorporating the following banks on the same principle, passed the house of Delegates, on Friday, and probably passed the Senate on Saturday:

The Bank of the Old Dominion at Alexandria, with a capital of not less than $200,000, nor more than 500,000. The Tradesmen's and Mechanics' Bank of Norfolk, 150,000 to 300,000. The Bank of Commerce at Fredericksburg, 150,000 to 300,000. The Manufacturers' and Farmers' Bank at Wheeling, 150,000 to 300,000. The Manufacturers' Bank at Charleston, Kanawha, 150,000 to 300,000. The Farmers' Bank at Fincastle, 150,000 to 300,000.—A bank at Portsmouth, 100,000 to 200,000. The Marion Bank at Fairmount, 150,000 to 300,000. Of these banks is 1,600,000—the maximum 3,300,000. It is supposed that during the present year not more than 1,000,000 of the capital will be in operation.

NEW HORSE THIEF—*Great Excitement!*—The village of Bloomfield, in this county, was the scene of no little excitement last Saturday morning. About day-light in the morning a negro came into the village riding one horse and leading another, both of which he immediately proposed to sell. The horses were valuable—one reckoned to be worth 100 and the other $80 or $90,—and from various circumstances suspicion was at once excited that the negro had stolen them. That the suspicion was well grounded, was proven by a stratagem. The citizens started a rumor that two persons were following the negro in hot haste, whereupon he fled precipitately, leaving the horses behind him. The entire population of the village gave chase, but the colored gentleman was too swift for them all. They captured only his coat and pocket book, in which they found the name of *Richard Robinson.* The horses are at Mr. Clapp's tavern.

P. S. Since the above was in type, we learn that a gentleman was in this city on Saturday evening, on the hunt of a couple of horses, no doubt the same.—*Steubenville Messenger.*

TOM HYER'S CHALLENGE TO THE WORLD.—There is but little doubt that the celebrated Tom Hyer will succeed in getting up a pugilistic encounter, according to his challenge, without going to England for an opponent. He and his friends have been for some time past bantering a man named Goodeson, who is a powerful fellow; and Hyer's card, it was understood, had as much reference to him as to any body else, if not more. Goodeson's friends take this view of the matter, and so do Hyer's. In fact, Goodeson, himself, in a card in the New York papers, says as much; and that it is not fear, but selfrespect and his family which has made him avoid it heretofore. This is precisely the manner in which the contest between Hyer and Sullivan was brought about, and the same result may be witnessed in this case.

THE VIRGINIA BLOCK.—The inscription on the block of granite presented by Virginia to the National Washington Monument is, "Virginia, who gave Washington to America, gives this granite for his monument." The block was prepared under the direction of Governor Floyd.

LARGE RECEIPTS OF OIL.—The New Bedford *Mercury* says that during the last twelve days there had arrived at that port seventeen ships, bringing an aggregate of 3,655 barrels of sperm oil, 47,650 barrels of whale, and 545,972 pounds of bone, besides 59 casks of sperm oil sent home.

THE JAMES NELSON.—*New Packet from Steubenville to Pittsburgh.*—The Steubenville *Messenger* says: We learn that the steamer James Nelson has been sold, and it is also rumored that Capt. Moore will commence running a packet between this city and Pittsburgh.

Wife—Mistress—Lady.

Translated from the German for the N.Y. Evening Mirror.

Who marries for love takes a wife; who for the sake of convenience take a mistress; who marries from consideration takes a lady. You are loved by your wife, regarded by your mistress, tolerated by your lady. You have a wife for yourself, a mistress for your house and its friends, a lady for the world. Your wife will agree with you, your mistress will accommodate you, your lady will manage you.—Your wife will take care of your household, your mistress of your house, your lady of appearance.—If you are sick, your wife will nurse you, your mistress will visit you, and your lady will inquire after your health. You take a walk with your wife, a ride with your mistress, and join parties with your lady. Your wife will share your grief, your mistress your money, and your lady your debts. If you are dead your wife will shed tears, your mistress lament, and your lady wear mourning. A year after your death marries again your wife, in six months your mistress, and in six weeks or sooner, when mourning is over, your lady.

DIED:

In Clarion, on Saturday, 29th March, MARIANA, wife of Hunt Craig, formerly of Allegheny.

For Rent.

THE subscriber offers a two and a half story BRICK HOUSE for rent, on the corner of Wylie, and Logan streets; is well finished. Possession given immediately. Enquire of WM. IRVIN

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Election Notice.

THE Stockholders of the "Perryville and Zelienople Plank Road Company," are requested to meet in Zelienople on the 29th of April, instant, for the purpose of electing a President, five Managers and a Treasurer, for said Company. Election to be held at the Town Hall. Open from 9 A. M., till 6 P. M.

O. D. PALMER,
JOHN REEP,
FRANCIS WALLACE,
JACOB H. ZEIGLER,
JOHN RANDOLPH,
GEORGE HOWELL,
ETC. Commissioners.

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London Labor and the London Poor—Nathalie—a Novel, by the author of "Women of France;"
Anne Grey—a Novel, by the author of Jane Shore;
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Tom Racquet and his Three Maiden Aunts—with illustrations;
Littell's Living Age—Nos. 359.

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Iconographic Encyclopædia, No. 18.
Hints to Sportsmen—containing notes on shooting, &c., by E. J. Lewis, M. D.
The Warwick Woodlands, by Frank Forester.
Anne Grey; by the author of "Granby," "Jane Shore," &c.
Before and Behind the Curtain, or Fifteen Years' among the Theatres of New York; by William Knight Northall, author of the Life of Yankee Hill.
The Philosophy of Spiritual Intercourse—being an explanation of modern Mysteries; by Andrew Jackson Davis—author of the Great Harmonica, &c.
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SEALED PROPOSALS will be received at this office until 12 o'clock, 20th day of April, inst., for the following articles, for the use of the ship of the United States Marine Hospital, near this City, until the 30th day of June, 1852:

Beef, as fine as possible from bone, price per pound.
Bread, each loaf to weigh one lb. " " "
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Coffee " " "
Butter, best quality " " "
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Hams " " "
Lard " " "
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Molasses " " gal.
Tar wine " " "
Vinegar " " "
Milk " " quart.
Best boiled meal " " bushel.
Potatoes " " "
Beans " " "
Eggs " " dozen.
Salt " " peck.
Hominy " " "
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Samples of the foreign articles to be of the very best quality, and to be furnished at such times and in such quantities as on the requisition of the Steward of the Hospital, approved by the Surveyor, may be required.

Any other articles that may be wanted, the contractor to furnish at the lowest market price.

It is estimated that the number of patients to be supplied will average about 20 per day. In addition to which there will be about 10 officers and servants to be supplied.

Any information concerning the contract will be given on application at this office. HENRY WOODS,

apr3:3tdn. Surveyor and Agt., U. S. Marine Hospital.

BEFORE and Behind the Curtain, or Fifteen Years Observations among the Theatres of New York—by William Knight Northal. This is a new work—it appears to be a history of facts. The revelations of the author are of a most striking character, tending to enforce the reader to the conviction that the whole book is strictly true.

Harper's Monthly Magazine for April, is one of the best numbers yet issued. It is useless to puff this Magazine almost every body seems to be taking it.

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European Agency, and Remittances to Ireland.

THE undersigned, "*European Agent*," has again arrived in the United States, and will leave Pittsburgh in June next, for the *twenty-fifth* tour of his Agency, through England, Ireland, Scotland, Wales, &c., to return in September. He collects legacies, debts, rents, property and claims; remits money by sight drafts to all parts of Great Britain and Ireland, at the rate of $5 per pound sterling; procures copies of wills, deeds and documents; conducts searches of all kinds, &c., &c. He transacts the business in connection with his relative, HUGH KEENAN, Esq., now resident in Dublin, who for more than twenty years traveled annually on this business between Europe and America. Innumerable references given.

During the subscriber's absence, remittances and other business will be attended to at his Office, by his brother, Edward J. Keenan. Office on Fifth street, opposite St. Paul's Cathedral. THOS. J. KEENAN,

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Pittsburgh, Pa.