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From the dark and troubled surges,
Of the roaring sea of time,
Evermore a word emerges.
Solemn, beautiful, sublime.
So of old, from Grecian water,
'Mid the music and the balm,
Rose the dread Olympian daughter,
Floating on the azure calm.

Evermore the worlds are fading,
Evermore the worlds will bloom,
To refute our weak upbraiding,
To throw brightness on the gloom
Ever the imperfect passes,
But the perfect ever grows;
Forests sink to drear morasses,
Fairer landscapes to disclose.

All the beauty, all the splendor,
Of the ancient earth and sky—
Graceful form and persons tender,
All have passed in silence by.
Man the fairest, Man the youngest,
Man, the darling of the Gods,
With the weakest, with the strongest,
Travels to the still abodes.

All his brothers, unlamenting,
To the eternal plan conform,
Full unquailing, unrepenting,
In the calm and in the storm.
Man, too, with a quiet bearing,
With brave heart and steadfast eye,
Undisturbed and undespairing,
Yes, with noble joy, must die!

Has he shared what nature proffered?
Gladly taken what she gave?
Now the one last gift is offered—
Let him take that gift—the grave!
With a grand renunciation,
Let him leave to earth and sea,
For another generation
All the good that he hath done.

Knowing that the laws eternal
Never, never can deceive;
Raised above the sphere diurnal,
And too noble, far to grieve,
Glad that he has been the agent
Of the universal heart,
That, in life's majestic pageant,
He has played no worthless part.

So a great and holy feeling
Shall sustain his human soul,
And, a silent strength revealing,
Shall the part re-seek the whole.
It shall change, but shall not perish,
Now in life and now in death,
For what most we love and cherish
Dies to breathe a nobler breath.

For the Morning Post.

SPIRIT VOICES.

BY NORMAN VIVIAN.

How wondrous strange is every thing we view
The concentrated wisdom of six thousand years
has made but a single rent in the great veil that
hides nature's mighty secrets; has kindled but a
single light in the gloomy midnight of the world!
The smallest insect living in the air, the animal-
cule creeping on the earth, are not wholly known.
Again, what know we of those glittering orbs,
that roll their usual rounds o'er all this earth, our
dwelling place, our home? All human wisdom is
as a tear-drop to the waters of the surging seas;
a grain of sand to the boundless universe; an in-
stant, to unending years. With us all is mystery,
and our own heart, "the mystery of mysteries."
How many superstitions have seized upon mank-
kind, and found willing followers in every
land! The heathen mother bears in her arms her
only child, and offers it a sacrifice to some sense-
less god. Without a sigh, without a tear, the
cruel, fiendish mother watches the inhuman deed,
and seeks by smiles and kisses to hush the infant's
cries. But such things are only seen in barbarous
lands. With us atheism and infidelity have long
since passed away. But even here imagination is
ever busy; the wing of fancy ever on the air,
seeking for wonders; the mind of man is never
weary of conjecturing and speculation. 'Tis
pleasant pastime for the soul, when weary of our
daily toils, to let it wander unrestrained, free as
the mountain breeze. A pyramid of volumes
could scarce contain the vague conceptions, and
baseless visions of a wandering mind. Still there
are some things we love to think about; although
we know them to be chimerical as a dream. 'Tis
pleasant to build our "airy castles," although we
know a single breath may dash them from our
eyes.

'Tis sweet to think that those we loved, though
dead, are with us still. Their disembodied spir-
its are ever by our sides, watching us with all
the interest of former days. We had learned to
think that the death bell tolled the eternal sepa-
ration from the earth; that the stroke which sev-
ered the thread of life, cut loose all ties that bound
the spirit here. We thought that there was a
great gulf, impassable, whose waters roll forever;
that those once crossing never knew return. We
thought that when the lamp of life went flicker-
ing out, it would be lighted only on the judgment
day. We thought that when the dark-winged
angel placed his hand upon a brow, and hushed a
beating heart, that it was stilled forever.

How often have you gathered round the bedside
of a dying friend, and with heaving bosoms and
tearful eyes, watched him breathing out his spirit,
and dropping into the sleep of death. Every vi-
bration of your heart-strings told that they had
"reached their utmost tension." It seemed as
though another sigh would break the fragile thread,
and its palpitations, too, would cease.

But hush now those sobs and groans of agony,
dry up those tears of sorrow! For it is thought
that death separates our bodies only; our spirits
still commune. Wherever you may wander your
departed friends are by your side. When alone,
and all around is still; when your mind goes mu-
sing o'er the past, listen for a moment! What is
it whispers in your ear. Have you not a thou-
sand recollections, called up from the great wil-
derness of time past, by the breathings of spirit
voices? The remembrances we have cherished;
the fond associations of our youth do not vanish
with dissolving nature. 'Tis a sweet and cheer-
ing thought. You have had some friends whose
character you have loved to dwell upon; whose
thoughts poured forth like "living waters" from
an unpolluted fount; whose every feeling was
generosity, purity and love. The chill mantle is
wrapped around his form, and he rests in the arms
of his mother earth; but the part we loved, the
deathless spirit, bursting the fetters of the grave,
still rambles with us, and we still may hold sweet
converse with it. Then weep not when the throb-
bing pulse is still; when the forehead turns to an
icy coldness; when the eye grows dim and glassy;
shudder not at the sable robes of mourning, nor
at the opened grave! But can all this be? Is it
not a superstitious, vain imagining? Does it not
contradict the principles of philosophy, truth and
religion? Is it possible for a spirit—"an immate-
rial substance"—to exert even more than giant
strength? In the age of ghosts, goblins and spec-
tres revived again? There must be some delu-
sion in those spirit voices that are heard. They
make a hell of heaven, a heaven of hell; they
form a half-way house, a purgatory, where depar-
ted souls remain to do penance for their sins on
earth. We may be pleased with these comman-
ings, and be startled at their strange exactness;
but still we cannot but think that there is some
fantasy, something to us inexplicable, which un-
shrouds all the mystery. Pleasant as the
would be, philosophy and religion all
it. We await with anxious expe
rolling away of the clouds that envelop
cret working; until then we will rest assured th
these troubled spirits are not messengers from

WASHINGTON, Pa., March, 1851.

☞ We know a preacher, who, when speaking, con-
stantly hammers the desk with his fist, to rivet the at-
tention of his audience.

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PITTSBURGH:

SATURDAY MORNING, APRIL 5, 1851.

☞ *"No American citizen can ever cease to esteem the Union as the first of all blessings: Dissolution! God for-bid—Nations set 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 17th 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 busi-ness men it affords an excellent medium for Advertising; being the only Democratic paper issued in Alleghe-ny 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 SATURDAY MORNING POST

Contains several beautiful pieces of Poetry; Sketches of Western Life; a description of the new Masonic Hall, with a cut of the building; Har-risburg Correspondence; Court Proceedings, &c.; besides a large amount of Miscellaneous, Editorial, Commercial, Political, Foreign and Domestic News. Price 5 cents.

☞ Gen. SCOTT, "the Hero of Chippewa," ar-rived in the City last evening, by the Brownsville boat. He immediately placed himself under the charge of HARVEY BOLLMAN, JOSEPH KNOX, JAS. W. RIDDLE, ALEX. MILLER, and other distin-guished members of the Whig party. These worthies agreed that RIDDLE and WHITE should be excluded from all participation in the honors extended to the General.

Pittsburgh and Cleveland Railroad.

The Cleveland *True Democrat* furnishes the fol-lowing statement of the amount of travel upon the above Railroad for one week, commencing March 18, and ending March 24. It foots up:

Days.	Passengers.
March 18.....	120
20.....	154
21.....	153
22.....	209½
23.....	185½
24.....	199½
	1018½

The Portage County *Whig*, of Wednesday, April 2d, says:

"The business on the Cleveland and Pittsburgh Railroad is increasing beyond all parallel. The second week, ending yesterday, there passed over the road an average of over TWO HUNDRED per day, and very large quantities of freight.

"Monday and Tuesday of this week, the cars left Ravenna with not less than ONE HUNDRED and THIRTY each day, and the company are obliged to put on another passenger car to ac-commodate the traveling public.

"Each day adds evidence to the fact that the road, when entirely completed, will be one of the very best paying roads in the Union. Those that have been the greatest enemies to this improve-ment are now its warmest friends, being con-vinced that in their zeal to cultivate a feeling against the work, they were laying a foundation to prove themselves no kin to the prophets of old."

Pennsylvania Institute for the Blind.

The 18th annual report of the above excellent in-stitution has just been published. From it we learn that the institution has been highly successful in the intellectual and industrial education of its inmates, and that its prospects were never more flattering than now, under the direction of its energetic and intelligent principal. The number of pupils in the institution at the close of the year was 93, of which 45 are supported by the Legislature of Pennsylva-nia; 6 by New Jersey; 5 by Maryland; 1 by Dela-ware; 15 by the institution; 15 by their own indus-try; and 6 by friends. Several other applications have been allowed, and in the course of a couple of months the number will reach nearly 100. But one death has occurred in the institution during the year, and no unusual amount of sickness.

Fall of Cotton.

The New York Dry Goods Reporter furnishes a comparative view of the prices of cotton during the last two years, by which it appears that, from the first of November last to the first of this month, the change adverse to the planter has been as follows:

	Nov. 1.	March 1.	Difference.
Middling Uplands,....	14¼	10¾	3½
Fair Uplands,.....	14½	12¼	2¼
Middling to fair N. O.,	16¼	12½	3¾
Average.....	14½	11 13-16	3 1-16

The average difference per bale is equal to about fourteen dollars, which, upon a crop of 2,400,000 bales, would give a loss to the planting interest of *thirty-three millions six hundred thousand dollars.*

The quantity of cotton already arrived in market this year is greater, we see by the same journals, than last year, by 136,000 bales, while the domestic consumption of the year is estimated at 150,000 bales less, although last year had fallen considerably be-low the previous one. Adding these two quantities together, we have 289,000 additional bales for which a market must be sought in Europe; and if to this we add the diminution of the previous year, we shall have a total of little short of 350,000 bales ad-ditional; and hence the fall in price.

☞ The New York *Globe*, the only national Democratic journal in the Empire City, has been suspended for want of support. The paper has changed proprietors at least a dozen times during the last five years, and has been a losing concern to every man who has had anything to do with it. The *Herald* states that during the last eighteen months twenty-three thousand dollars have been sunk by politicians, who have endeavored to keep it alive. The *Evening Post* (Free Soil,) is now the only paper making a profession of Democracy published in the City of New York.

☞ Dr. SHAW has been appointed Port Physi-cian, and not Physician of the Marine Hospital, as stated in yesterday's paper. Dr. MYERS is still Surgeon of the Marine Hospital, under an ap-pointment from the Secretary of the Treasury.—It is expected that the Institution will go into operation on the 1st of May.

☞ *The citizens of Tamaqua* and the towns ad-jacent have revived the project of organizing a new county, to be called Fulton, out of parts of Schuylkill, Lehigh, Luzerne and Carbon counties—Tamaqua to be the seat of justice of the new county.—*Phil. Ledger.*

If the good people of Tamaqua will put themselves to the trouble of enquiring, they will discover that there is already a county called Fulton in Penn-sylvania. It was created a couple of years since from parts of Bedford county.

EXTRAORDINARY SUICIDE.—We announced a few days since the sudden death of William Calender, of York, Pa., in the cars, on his return from Harris-burg, where he had just taken out a policy of insu-rance on his life for the sum of $5,000. We now learn from the York Gazette that he did not die in the cars, having gone to Harrisburg and returned on horseback, being taken sick with vomiting and pur-ging on his way back. He finally reached home at about 10½ o'clock at night—refused to lie down—would not permit his family to summon medical aid —and died at about 3½ o'clock on Thursday morn-ing, sitting up in a chair. His stomach was remov-ed and submitted to a variety of chemical tests, each one of which resulted in establishing the presence of arsenic.

Scribblings and Clippings.

— A handsome canal steamboat was, on Monday, launched at EASBY's ship yard in Washington, and after-wards hauled to the wharf near the Eagle Iron Works, for the purpose of receiving her engine, just manufactu-red by Mr. WM. MCKINSTRY. The Intelligencer says that this steamboat is intended to ply on the Rappahan-nock canal.

— The citizens of the city and county of Lancaster recently held a meeting for the purpose of taking mea-sures to secure the holding of the Pennsylvania State ag-ricultural fair at that place, in October next. Dr. E. PAR-RY presided, and resolutions were adopted guaranteeing the necessary means required by the society to defray expenses.

— Letters from Constantinople to MOSES MONTEFIORE and the Chief Rabbi, have been received, imploring as-sistance. A child having died, in the interior of Turkey, the Jews were accused of having killed it, for its blood. About twenty of the Jews, among whom were several Rabbi, were imprisoned and so badly treated that two have died.

— Col. SPENCER, a citizen of Lebanon, Ky., was ac-cidentally killed by his own son lately, while shooting rats at a barn. The father passed out of the barn, and was in the rear of it when the unfortunate shot was fired. The son is an estimable young man of 21 years of age, and suffers indescribably.

— A young lady died at Bristol, Eng., lately, from the compression of the stomach and viscera by tight lacing. She was perfectly free from disease, and there was no other visible cause of death.

— The Savannah Republic says the managers of many of the Southern Railroads have resolved to sus-pend the usual Boston orders in consequence of the re-sistance offered to the execution of the fugitive slave law in that city.

— At New Orleans Mrs. DORAN was burning a com-pound of beeswax, sulphur and onion seed, and holding her face over it for the tooth ache, when she inhaled too much of it, and expired instantly.

— The Committee appointed by the South Carolina Legislature have closed contracts at New York for the construction of a line of steamships for South Carolina. This looks as if South Carolina had given up the uncor-dial idea of non-intercourse with the North.

— The Senate of the State of Missouri, by a unani-mous vote, directed the Governor to return the resolu-tions of the late Nashville Convention to its secretary or president, "without note or comment."

— The United States Navy consists at present of 76 vessels, carrying 2,011 guns. They comprise 12 ships of the line, 14 frigates, 21 sloops of war, 4 brigs, 5 steam frigates, and 10 steamships, of which 3 are first class.

— Rev. EDWARD SELKRIG, Rector of Trinity Church, Albany, has recovered $500 damages against THOMAS P. WARREN and others, formerly vestrymen of that church, for slander, for saying that he knowingly passed coun-terfeit money.

— NATHAN SARGENT, Esq., formerly Recorder of the General Land Office, and whose nomination was reje-cted by the Senate, in consequence of the opposition of Mr. EWING, has received an appointment as a tempo-rary clerk in the Treasury Department.

— The Montreal Courier says that three Roman Catholic institutions, in Lower Canada, possess a total income larger than the whole provincial revenue.

— The bill providing for the completion of the Erie canal enlargement, and the Genesee Valley and Black River Canals, passed the Assembly on Saturday.

— The Hon. WILLIAM CLARK, formerly State Trea-surer of Pennsylvania, member of Congress, and U. S. Treasurer, died in Dauphin county, Pa., on Friday week.

— ELIZA COOK says truly in her journal, that "those who are honest *because it is the best policy*, are half way to being rogues."

— JENNY LIND's first Concert in Louisville will take place at MOZART Hall, on Monday evening next, the 7th inst.

— Three celebrated actresses are now performing at Philadelphia. MISS DAVENPORT is at the Chestnut Theatre; Mrs. FARREN at Arch st., and Miss Julia Dean at Walnut st.

— A young lady lately appeared in male attire at St. Louis. Her disguise was so perfect that a friend of ours writes us, that if she had been a little more modesty, she might have passed for a man.

— On the 21st of March, 1839, an agreement was entered into between Gen. SCOTT and Sir JOHN HARVEY, which put an end to all danger of a collision on the Northeastern Frontier.

— On the 23 of December, 1829, Congress assem-bled, and upon calling the roll of the House, it was found that all the members were present, save one—a thing without example.

— The Catholic papers of Spain are arguing the per-fect freedom of religious worship, on the ground that the present intolerance is driving from the country all capi-talists, who are not Catholics.

— JOHN C. IVORY, formerly of this city, is a candi-date for Governor on the Democratic ticket, in St. Louis.

— A suit for damages was tried at Norristown, last week, brought by ABRAHAM Gehman against Charles Schwank, for the seduction of his daughter. The jury gave a verdict in favor of the plaintiff, for $2,500.

— The inhabitants of Cape May are busy preparing for the coming season. At present there are two large hotels in progress of erection, and 12 double boarding houses and private residences.

— Forty-two families left Mount Pleasant, West-moreland county, and vicinity, last week, for the West. We wish them success in their venture, but regret to hear of such sterling citizens leaving the old Keystone.

— JOHN Wagler, an old citizen of Stoneycreek, Som-erset county, committed suicide a few days since. He had for a considerable length of time been laboring un-der a great depression of mind.

Was Washington born in England?

The Boston *Transcript* publishes an extract from a letter dated Isleworth, Middlesex, England, Feb-ruary 25th, 1851, written by a Mr. George Field, and addressed to George Harvey, Esq., Winthrop House, Boston. Mr. Field has in his possession an original portrait of Washington's mother, which he wishes to present to our Government. Mr. Field is seventy-five years old, and a gentleman in every way to be relied on. He raises the question of Washington's native land by the following para-graph:

"It happened when I was a boy, that being in the neighborhood of Cookham, Berkshire, with an uncle of mine, he pointed out a pretty country cot-tage in which the parents of General Washington resided, and from which they removed to America. Our road led to a green or common, where there resided a Mrs. Ann Meyer, whose maiden name was, I believe, Taylor, who there showed me the por-trait of Mrs. Washington, and other relics of the family, given to her when they quitted the place for America, to which country her aunt and mother, she told me, took their son (George Wash-ington) in her arms.' I believe I use her own ex-pression."

Mr. Field subsequently purchased this portrait, and says he has shown it to numberless persons, and that he was induced to address a letter to Judge Washington at Mount Vernon in 1824 offering to re-store the picture, but did not receive an answer.

How the "Rappings" are Produced.

The following explanation of the mystery of "spir-itual rappings," is taken from a recent work by A. J. Davis:

"I now proceed to explain how spirits can move a table or other inorganic substances: A spirit, without possessing any of the grossness of the earth-ly form, is yet organized in its principles and func-tions precisely as we are in this life; and when it, a spirit, desires to move a table (by way of manifesting its nearness,) it concentrates its own magnetic and powerful elements so as to take hold, as it were, of the magnetism of the atmosphere. In like manner, this atmospherical magnetism takes hold of the elec-tricity of the air, and the latter in then concentrated upon the article which it is the spirit's design to move. Atmospherical magnetism and electricity are there-fore the *nerves* and *muscles* which spirits employ when manifesting their presence to the material senses of believing as well as skeptical individuals. *certain* that no mischievous or designing person is producing them by way of imitation, then it is per-fectly reasonable to conclude, as has been hitherto explained, that a friendly spirit from the spirit-land is producing electrical rolling concussions upon some material substances, through the intermediate agencies of terrestrial magnetism and electricity.—The *modus operandi* of these phenomena I design not now to detail; because at present it is deemed sufficient for mankind to know that it is both nat-urally and philosophically possible for spirits to ap-proach and influence heavy and gross bodies of matter."

☞ The Steubenville Union of the 2d inst says: We understand that no portion of the Steubenville and Indiana Railroad will be ready for letting before some time in July. The surveys are not yet com-plete, and the Engineer desires to be sure he's right before going ahead. Active exertions will be made in the meantime to secure additional subscrip-tions.

FROM HARRISBURG.

[CORRESPONDENCE OF THE MORNING POST.]

NUMBER LIII.

HARRISBURG, April 1.

My Dear Post:—The Senate has to-day been engaged in the consideration of the bill reannex-ing the county of Montour to the county of Co-lumbia, but did not have any vote upon it. Mr. Buckalew made an excellent speech in favor of this bill. He said that the county of Montour had grown out of a misplaced confidence in the hands of his predecessor, and that no just cause had ever sundered the county of Columbia; that he called upon the Senate of Pennsylvania to smite the law creating it from the statute book, where it never should have been; that the pass-age of the bill before the Senate would be a pure, straight forward act of legislation, an act of jus-tice to the parties concerned, and a proper rebuke to the man who had dared to betray the trust and abuse the power placed in his hands, for his own private interest and his own political ambition; that Senators could not vote against the expressed will of the people of his district—against the wishes of their Representatives, merely to leave untouched a work of perfidy and wrong.

The House has been all day passing private local bills, very few, if any, of which will ever come up in the Senate.

The bill chartering the Easton Bank was passed finally in the Senate. This having previously passed the House, becomes a law; and it is the first Bank which has been chartered this session. The Representatives who wanted it are pledged to go for the Free Banking bill.

The Hon. Daniel Webster has just concluded a speech in the Hall of the House of Representa-tives, in which he has said many pleasant things for Pennsylvania. About one thousand people were present, and appeared generally delighted.—Speaking of the Union, he said that he does not look beyond its existence—never contemplates it torn in fragments, and scattered, "without form and void!"

He has made a very good speech, as he alw ays does; but it is quite melancholy to look upon the fading countenance and the failing form of this great man. He has changed so much in the last five years that the idea forced upon the mind as it looks to the future, is decidedly disagreeable.—The world will lose her greatest orator when Webster dies. As ever,

FRANKLIN.

Morbid Liver.

We clip from the New York *Spirit of the Times* the following laughable story of *Yankee Sitbee*, as told by the Philadelphia *City Item*:

Philadelphia, as everybody knows, is famous for its many medical colleges. Of these there are no less than seven—five of the regular school, four of which are male and one female, one ho-mœopathic, and one eclectic. The number of stu-dents attending these various institutions is over fifteen hundred. So many schools—the profes-sors of each being dependent upon the number of students for the size of their salaries—creates ri-valry. Various novelties are produced, to draw custom to the several shops—but of that else-where, and at a future time. One of these schools summons its disciples from one lecture room to the other—"gentlemen of a gong; and the moment its reverberations are heard, a general breaking up and scampering ensues—the whole class en-gerly rushing to obtain seats near the professor.

Now it happened on one pleasant day, not very long since, that a stout, heavy and rather clumsy looking down easter, who had apparently voyaged on a steame, from about Kennebec, to get a load of coal, happened to wander along Fifth street, near Walnut, just about dinner time, and, as he passed the Philadelphia College, he heard the first rumble of the Janitor's gong. He entered at once, and saluted the Janitor with—

"Hello, you! Dinner ain't nigh ready, nor nuthin?"

"I believe it is," answered the functionary ad-dressed, not rightly comprehending the object of the querist.

"Waell, I kal'late I'll take four shillin' worth, myself." At this moment he espied the crowd wedging their way up stairs. "Hello!" he ex-claimed, pushing forward and joining the press—"tain't no use o' your scroogin—taint. I kin pay my fifty cents, and of I'm got to grit nigher the best victuals than I do you're all on you stronger nor I be, seure." So saying, he elbowed his way per-severingly, and to the manifest annoyance of his neighbors.

As soon as he had entered the lecture-room and been ejected into a seat by the press, the Yankee looked around him. He was in the anatomical theatre. To his utter astonishment he beheld a great pit in the centre containing a table, upon which were several wet and dry preparations, of parts of the body, on plates. Around this, the seats were arranged amphitheatrically. The ap-pearance of the affair was novel, and after wrig-gling around a few minutes, he turned to his neighbor, and said—

"I say, yeou! this is some of the new fashions, I guess. Seems to be plenty of meat deown there —but where's the waiters—an' how in the name of Christopher Columbus an' General Jackson, are we ever to get off un us to eat off that one table?"

"Eat!" replied the student.

"Yeas! eat! leastways I spose we aint come here to look at the victuals, yonder, I want my sheer, an' if I don't git it, I kallate I'll keep my four shillin in my trousers."

"You're a queer fellow," said the student.—"How long have you been studying medicine."

"Studyin medicine! oh, shaw! now—yeou git eout! I never studied none, 'cept a little hoss doc-torin—an that was more than the doctrine old Eliakin Coffin eused to preach deown to Hog's point—medicine! never had nothin to do with it, 'cept one summer, when I went peddlin pills—warranted peurely vegetable. So they was teu—nothing but biled peas rolled in liquorish peowder —yeas!"

Here the Yankee snorted out so loudly as to at-tract the attention of the whole class, seeing which he suddenly stopped his cachination, where-at there was a general laugh. His companion began to understand matters at once, and asked him if he knew where he was.

"Waell," answered he, "I begin to think I aint sure; I rayther guess it's a hotel, but—Capting Brown an' the Continental Congress! what on earth's that?" and he pointed, with a trembling finger, to a skeleton which hung from the dome, and which had hitherto escaped his vision.

"That! why, it's a skeleton, of course!"

"A—*what!* Look here, yeou! where on aerth am I?"

"You're in the Philadelphia College of Medi-cine."

"Philly! delphy col! legiem! edsim! Je roo-sa lem! an 'taint no tavern—what's that meat doin on the table?"

"These are pathological specimens. The one this way is a morbid liver!"

"Liver! creation! deader, you mean!" and climbing over those above him, the Yankee scram-bled out of the amphitheatre, and bolted from the building. Amid the shouts of the whole class, that burst forth in a torrent of mingled laughter and applause, he made his exit.

There was a nice piece of gossip all that day, about the humbugged Yankee; but to the aston-ishment of such of the class as went to the The-atre to see STEBBEE, the hero on the stage was no other than the apparently green stranger of the morning, who hearing the gong ring, as he passed the door, had taken suddenly a notion to amuse himself at the expense of the incipient medicos

EARTHQUAKES.—The earthquake which occurred at Carthagena on the 6th February destroyed a num-ber of buildings, and severely injured several of the inhabitants. The church was considerably injured. Many of the large interior columns were broken, large masses of the building fell to the floor, and the keystones of some of the arches were displaced.—Another shock occurred at Santa Martha on the 20th which did considerable damage to many of the houses, but no one is reported injured. It was supp-osed the effects of this were more severe in the in-terior.

CITY AFFAIRS.

[OFFICIAL REPORT.]

Proceedings in Select Council.

APRIL 3, 1851.

Council met pursuant to adjournment. Present—Messrs. Bruce, Day, Edwards, Gallagher, Hill, Ken-nedy, Kent, Kincaid, Lorens, Morrow, Rinehart, Wilson, and President Murray.

On motion of Mr. Bruce, the reading of the mi-nutes was dispensed with for the present.

Mr. Kent presented a communication from Mr. Alden, counsel for sundry watchmen appointed by the late Mayor, who have brought suits against the City for services during the period when the appoint-ment of night police had been devolved upon the police committee, asking Councils to direct the City Solicitor to unite with the attorney of plaintiffs in making a *case stated* of the matters in variance, for the adjudication of the District Court.

Mr. Bruce moved to refer the communication to the City Solicitor, with power to act.

Mr. Kincaid moved to amend the reference by striking out the words "with power to act" and in-serting the words "with instructions to report to Councils."

Which amendment was rejected: 8 to 6.

And the question recurring upon the original mo-tion, it was decided in the affirmative.

The resolution reported by the committee on streets, at the last meeting, and read twice and laid over on third reading, was taken up and read a third time and adopted.

The following business, communicated by the Clerk of C. C., was then taken up:

Petition for water pipes on Ledlie street, from Bedford to Ridge street. To C. C. read and referred to water com. Action concurred in by S. C.

Petition of Henry Miller, for extension of time, till 1st August next, for removing buildings from the line of Rush street. To C. C. read and referred to com. on streets, with power to act. Action con-curred in by S. C.

Report of the committee on printing, on the com-munication from the publishers of the Dispatch, with the subjoined resolution. To C. C. report read and accepted, and resolution read three times and adopted:

Resolved, That the Clerks of Councils be and they are hereby instructed to furnish a copy of the min-utes of proceedings of Councils to Lecky Harper, Editor of the Daily Morning Post, for publication, in accordance with the provisions of the 23d rule of Councils.

The report was read and accepted.

The resolution was read a first time, and Mr. Bruce moved its second reading, which motion pre-vailed.

Mr. Bruce then moved that the Clerk make a state-ment to Council on the subject referred to in the last communication.

Which motion prevailed; and such statement was made.

Mr. Morrow moved the third reading of the reso-lution; but there being votes in the negative, the resolution was laid over on third reading.

Mr. Lorenz presented a statement from the City Treasurer, showing the balances ($18,962 39,) due by City Collectors, which was read; and offered the following resolution, which was read three times and adopted:

Resolved, That the Treasurer be instructed to no-tify the several Collectors of taxes in the different wards, that all those who do not settle in full their last year's duplicate with the Treasurer, on or before the twenty-fifth of this month, shall not be entitled to take the office of Collector for this year, and Councils will proceed to elect other persons in their stead, at the regular stated meeting of Councils, on the last Monday of this month. The Treasurer is also instructed to notify the City Assessor to leave, forthwith, the duplicate of the last year's assess-ment of taxes at the Mayor's office, according to law.

Mr. Bruce offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Mayor be, and he is hereby authorised and directed to draw his warrant on the City Treasurer, in favor of John R. Conter, for the sum of one hundred dollars, on account of his claim for rent, for property near the lower basin, and that the same be charged to the Contingent Fund.

The resolution was read a first and second time, and

Mr. Rinehart moved to refer it to the water com-mittee, with power to act. Which motion was de-cided in the negative.

And the resolution was read a third time and re-jected.

And the Council adjourned.

DIED!

Yesterday morning, April 4, WILLIAM EDGAR, Esq.

His funeral will take place on Sabbath afternoon, at 2 o'clock, from his late residence on Rebecca street, First Ward, Allegheny. The Masonic Fraternity are requested to meet at the Hall, Federal street, at 1 o'clock, for burial service.

S. MCKINLEY,
apr5 D D G M Masonic District.

On Friday morning, April 4th, MARTHA SANDS, daughter of David and Caroline Sands—aged 5 years and one month.

The funeral will take place THIS DAY (Saturday), at 3 o'clock, from No. 57 Chatham street, between Wylie and Fourth street Road.

Special Notices.

THE members of the several Lodges of Odd Fellows are requested to meet with Twin City Lodge No. 241, at their Hall, corner of Leacock and Sandusky streets, Allegheny, on Sunday, at 10 o'clock, to attend the funeral of Brother William M. Edgar—in *full Regalia*.

E. B. SLENTZ, N. G.
apr5 By order of the D. D. G. M.

OFFICE OF THE

ASSOCIATED FIREMEN'S INSURANCE COMPANY.

☞ Books will be open at the Office of the Company' No. 63 Fourth street, from 10 A. M. to 4 P. M., for the purpose of receiving subscriptions for Ten Thousand Shares of the Capital Stock of said Company, *on Tues-day, the 15th instant.*

By order of the Board of Directors.

W. W. DALLAS, *Pres't.*

☞ Be in Time. ☜

Long cogitations will not answer, when *Consumption* is stealing a march upon the Organs of Respiration, blocking up the air vessels, and inflaming their delicate membrane, preparatory to assailing the substance of the Lungs themselves. Then it is *prompt action*, or *speedy death*. Those who prefer the former to the latter, will lose no time in having recourse to *Dr. Rogers' Syrup of Liverwort, Tar, and Cantharides*. It will relieve the throat of phlegm, exercise a healing influence upon the lungs, and sustain the system. In saying this we mere-ly echo the voice of the Faculty, of men of Science, Statesmen, and the reverend, the clergy. Peruse what hands of Agents. An advertisement appears in another part of this paper.

Wistar's Balsam of Wild Cherry.

☞ The remarkable success of this Balsam is no doubt owing in a great measure to the peculiarly agre-able and powerful nature of its ingredients. It is a fine pectoral medicine—composed chiefly of Wild Cherry expressly for the purpose,) the rare medical virtues of which are also combined by a new chemical process with the Oil of Tar, thus rendering the whole com-pound the most certain and efficacious remedy ever dis-covered.

We do not wish to deceive the afflicted, or hold out any hopes of relief when none exist; but when so many hundreds pronounced by skilful physicians as most hopeless cases, have been cured, who can blame us for using every word and accent of persuasion to induce the suffering invalid to lay aside prejudice, and partake of a remedy seldom known to fail!

Beware of counterfeits and base imitations.

☞ See advertisement. [mar12

European Agency.

☞ Having been detained by business at New Or-leans and St. Louis, during the last few weeks, I will not leave this city until Tuesday, the 8th of April next.

JOHN D. DAVIS,
corner of Wood and Fifth sts.

Gastric Juice or Pepsin.

☞ This great remedy, prepared after directions of Baron Liebig, the great Physiological chemist, by Dr. J. S. Houghton, of Philadelphia, is working wonders in all diseases of the stomach and digestive organs. It is truly one of the most important discoveries in medical sci-ence. Cures of the most hopeless cases of indigestion have been performed, to which the afflicted can be re-ferred by calling on the agents. See advertisement in another column.

KEYSER & M'DOWELL, Agents,
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☞ Consumers of wines are invited to read in another column the card of Jacob Snider, Jr.'s cheap wine store 62 Walnut street, Philadelphia. feb14:dly

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Plank Road Notice.

ALL persons who have subscribed to the Fund for making a Plank Road on Pennsylvania Avenue, or Henry Barker's, are notified to call at the house of the subscriber, in Reisville, on or before the 16th of April, instant, and pay fifty per cent. on their respective sub-scriptions. [apr5] HENRY REIS, Treasurer.

JUST RECEIVED—Another lot of SILKS, comprising 10 pcs. small plaid; 5 pcs. black figured; 12 pieces blk.; of styles, newness of patterns, our stock of Silks cannot be surpassed.

A few more of those Hair, Diamond and French Lace Bonnets left. [apr5] A. A. MASON & CO.

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MR. CHARLES BROOK, *Teacher of Dancing*, (late from Philadelphia,) respectfully informs the lovers of Dancing, that he is prepared to teach all the Fashion-able Dances of the East, in their latest styles. Cotil-lions, Polka Quadrilles, Mazurka Quadrilles, Lancer Quadrilles, Deux-temps Quadrilles, the Paris Polka Quadrilles, Schottisch Quadrilles, Waltzes, plain Waltze, Polka Waltze, Redowa Waltze, Polka Mazurka Waltze, Hop Waltze, Schottisch Waltze, Bolero Schottisch Waltze, &c. Private lessons given, and private classes attended to on moderate terms.

Any communications left at Weaver's Hotel, corner of Fourth and Grant streets, will be promptly attended to. apr5 (Tribune copy and charge Post.)

To Contractors, Masons, Carpenters, &c.

PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS of the Episcopal Church, to be erected of STONE, on Grant street, can be seen at the Sunday School Room of Trinity Church. Access to the same can be had by calling on Hugh Blackburn, who lives on the alley adjoining the said hand in their proposals before the 15th instant, to Thomas M. Howe, at the Exchange Bank. [apr5:6t

Woman!

HER Phrenology, Sphere, Treatment, Duties and Po-sition. Fowler's new Lecture, at Wilkins Hall, Monday and Wednesday evenings, 7th and 9th of April, at 7½ o'clock,—with singing, by Dr. Brewster; closing with the public delineation of several female characters. Seats one dime. Tuesday evening, April 8th—Religion, its duties and its doctrines, as taught by Phrenology. Friday evening, Hereditary Laws and Facts—a most scientific lecture.

☞ Professional delineations of character, with num-bered charts, and also, *full* written opinions, including advice touching Health, Occupations, Faults, &c., their remedy, self-perfection, management of children, &c., daily and unoccupied evenings, at his private apartments, at Mr. Brown's Hotel.

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FIFTH STREET, between Wood and Market streets, opposite Iron City Hotel. All kinds of Jewelry made and repaired. [apr5:1y

D. ENRIGHT, J. SHEA has removed to No. 116 Mar-ket street, (two doors north of his old stand,) the house lately occupied by R. D. Thompson. apr5:3t

MR. J. C. SCHAAD proposes, if sufficiently encour-aged, to open on Monday, the 14th day of April, in the basement Room of the First Protestant Re-formed Church, of the City of Allegheny, a School for the instruction of youth, of both sexes, in the Greek, Latin and French Languages. He will attend to the afternoon.

For further particulars apply to the subscriber, at the Misses Heiich's Boarding House, Fourth st., Pittsburgh.

REFERENCES.

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Rev. J. T. Pressly, D. D., James Dunlop, Esq.,
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