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☞ *"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 JUDGE, 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.

New Dress for the Post.

It is our intention to clothe the *Morning Post* in a handsome new dress, at the beginning of the new volume in July. We are determined to make it in all respects the best and finest looking paper west of Philadelphia.

The BREVIER and MINION type used at present in setting reading matter is offered for sale, possession to be given about the middle of July. The price of the Brevier will be 20 cts. a pound, and the Minion 15 cts. a pound—cash or approved endorsed paper.

The Weekly Post.

CONTENTS: Poetry, "Hymn to God;" "Cradle Song;" "Imaginary Evils," Rough Sketches and Random Thoughts, by P. C. Shannon; Foreign Miscellany, translated for the *Morning Post*; A Reminiscence of Kossuth; California Correspondence; Spiritual Manifestations; Foreign and Domestic News; and a large amount of Editorial, Miscellaneous, Commercial, Telegraphic and Local News. Single copies five cents.

Valuable Lots in East Birmingham.

It will be seen by an advertisement in to-day's paper, that P. M. DAVIS, Auctioneer, will sell this afternoon, at 3 o'clock, on the premises, a number of Building Lots in the beautiful and flourishing Borough of East Birmingham. The lots are located in the most desirable portion of the Borough, and having a personal knowledge of the situation, we can freely say that it possesses advantages worthy of the attention of manufacturers and capitalists. The City now being pretty completely built up, with dwellings and business houses, those who wish to embark in manufacturing, must, of necessity, seek locations elsewhere. To all such we would say, attend the sale this afternoon, in East Birmingham.

☞ The late "horrid war" between the rival Whig papers of this city, the *Journal* and *Gazette*, although a victory to the former so far as fine writing is concerned, appears not to have shaken the confidence of the Administration at Washington in the *Gazette*. That paper of yesterday contains an advertisement from the Navy Department, seven columns in length, worth probably $500! The *Journal's* slavery articles appear not to have had the desired effect; and the Deacon's declaration that the Fugitive Slave law is "morally void although legally binding," has not proved offensive to MESSRS. FILLMORE and WEBSTER.

N. B. It is but proper that we should state that the Deacon yesterday published a long puff of "HIS EXCELLENCY, Millard Fillmore, the President of the United States."

☞ We would beg leave to inform the editor of the *Lancasterian* that we "take up the cue" of no paper whatsoever. We publish an independant Democratic journal which is under our exclusive control. We at one time admired the course of the *Lancasterian*, especially its radical opinions on the Tariff and Currency questions; but recently it has been employed in traducing the character of one of the purest of men and best of democrats in Pennsylvania. If THOMAS H. BURROWES and his little clique of disorganizers about Lancaster don't like our plain talk they "can lump it." That's all!

Division of Westmoreland County.

We observe that public meetings are being held in Old Westmoreland, with the view of bringing about a division of that county. Although such a measure might result to the benefit of many of her citizens, yet we would be sorry that any necessity should arise for the division of the good old "Star of the West." It will never do to have that great *State* divided off into little *counties!*—We want her 2000 Democratic majority each year to come up unbroken, to swell the proud triumph of the Democracy. We enter our solemn protest against any division of Old Westmoreland!

☞ The Indiana *State Sentinel* copies an extract from the late letter of Gen. ROBINSON, President of the Ohio and Pennsylvania Railroad, published in the *Morning Post*, and adds:—"This looks well, and as the Company in Ohio between the above Company and our Bellefontaine Road are pressing their Road forward with much energy, we may confidently look for a continuous line of railway from this city to the Lakes and the Atlantic, by the Autumn of next year."

☞ The excitement in Cleveland on the subject of "Spiritual Rappings" is becoming intense. We learn from the *Plaindealer* of Tuesday that Mr. MAY, one of the Editors of the *Herald*, was whipped severely that morning, by a gentleman who had been abused by that paper, because he believes in the spirituality of the "Rappings."

☞ Greasy seems disinclined to believe our statement in regard to the appearance of the article in reference to Mr. BUCHANAN in the column of the *Post*. It is a matter of perfect indifference to us what he believes or disbelieves. It would be more to this old sinner's credit if he would explain to the public the part he took in FORGING several hundred names to the call for a Scott meeting in this city.

☞ The Harrisburgh *Union* of Wednesday says: Hon. Ephraim Banks, the Auditor General elected at the last fall election, and Hon. J. Porter Brawley, Surveyor General, have entered upon their official duties. Hon. John N. Purviance has retired to Butler county, and will resume the practice of the law. Hon Judge Lsporte will remove to his farm, in Bradford county. Both of these gentlemen have acquitted themselves in a manner that reflects credit upon them and the party which they represented. Their successors are gentlemen who will, no doubt, prove equally as efficient in the discharge of their duties, and worthy the confidence reposed in them by the people.

STEAMBOAT DISASTER.—ST. ANTHONY SUNK.—We learn by a private telegraph despatch, that the steamer St. Anthony struck a snag and sunk in the Mississippi river, a few miles below St. Louis, on Sunday morning last. Boat and cargo supposed to be a total loss. Mr. Foster, the owner living in Covington, informs us that the boat was worth $5,000. No insurance. The trip she was making to St. Louis is said to have been as good as that made by any boat this season. If she had been successful in getting through, she would have yielded the neat sum of $6,110. She was crowded with passengers, who all fortunately escaped with their lives.—*Cin. Commercial.*

Delegates to the Two Democratic State Conventions.

The following lists, containing so far as we have received returns, the names of the Delegates to the Reading and Harrisburg Conventions, will be found interesting to the party throughout the State, and useful for future reference. As they have been made up from a large number of loose memoranda, they contain some inaccuracies which we will be obliged to our friends in the interior to point out, as also for any additions they will enable us to make to the lists.—*Pennsylvanian.* [We have made one or two additions to the table, but still it is by no means complete.—*Post.*]

READING CONVENTION.

To meet at Reading on the 4th of June, to nominate Governor and Canal Commissioner.

SENATORIAL DELEGATES.

1. Philadelphia City. John W. Forney, Richard R. Young, instructed for Bigler.
2. Philadelphia County. Thomas Brown, Miles Sweney, Thomas McDonough, instructed for Bigler.
3. Montgomery. Jacob S. Yost, instructed for Col. Bigler.
4. Chester and Delaware. Pearson Sorrill, instructed for Bigler.
5. Berks. William Kerns, instructed for Bigler.
6. Bucks. Col. Franklin Vansant, instructed for Bigler.
7. Lancaster and Lebanon, (Two sets from Lancaster.) William B. Fordney, instructed for Bigler. Jacob B. Amwake, instructed for Frazer. Lebanon, Dr. C. D. Gloniger, for Bigler.
8. Northumberland and Dauphin. Dr. John A. Stehley, elected by Dauphin.
9. Northampton and Lehigh. James W. Wilson, instructed for Bigler.
10. Carbon, Monroe, Pike and Wayne. Not elected
11. Adams and Franklin. James S. Kennedy, instructed for Col. Bigler, for Governor; and John B. Bratton, Esq., for Canal Commissioner.
12. York. A. J. Glossbrenner, instructed for Bigler.
13. Cumberland and Perry. Not elected.
14. Centre, Lycoming, Sullivan and Clinton. H. L. Diffenbach.
15. Blair, Cambria and Huntingdon. Contested.
16. Luzerne, Montour and Columbia. Gen. Wm. S. Ross, elected by Luzerne.
17. Bradford, Susquehanna and Wyoming. F. B. Streeter, instructed for Bigler.
18. Tioga, Potter, McKean, Elk and Clearfield. G. R. Barrett, instructed for Bigler.
19. Mercer, Venango and Warren. Arnold Plumer.
20. Erie and Crawford. M. B. Lowry, instructed for Bigler.
21. Butler, Beaver and Lawrence. Jonathan Ayres for Bigler, for Governor; Clover, for Canal Commissioner.
22. Allegheny. J. C. McCammon, W. W. Dallas, Esqs, instructed for Colonel S. W. Black, for Governor.
23. Washington and Green. Charles A. Black, re solutions for Bigler for Governor, and Searight for Canal Commissioner.
24. Bedford and Somerset. Samuel Robinson, instructed for Bigler for Governor, and Searight for Canal Commissioner.
25. Armstrong, Indiana and Clarion. Joseph Clark, Colonel Alexander, Clarion.
26. Juniata, Mifflin and Union. Not elected.
27. Westmoreland and Fayette. John C. Plumer, instructed for S. W. Black, for Governor.
28. Schuylkill. P. W. Hughes, instructed for Bigler.

REPRESENTATIVE DELEGATES.

Adams—John P. Felty, Esq.

Allegheny—Stephen Kent, Henry McCullough, J. Criswell, L. B. Patterson, Thomas Blackmore, instructed for S. W. Black.

Armstrong, Clarion and Jefferson—Joseph Clark, John Hastings.

Bedford and Cambria—John C. O'Neill and George W. Bowman, instructed for Bigler.

Berks—David Fister, Joel Ritter, C. H. Hunter and Wm. Shaffner, instructed for Bigler.

Bucks—James Ott, William Beans and Reed C. Weaver, instructed for Bigler.

Beaver, Butler, and Lawrence—David Bois, John Graham, and James M. Kuester, Esqrs., instructed for Col. Black, for Governor.

Blair and Huntingdon—Col. John P. Anderson, instructed for Bigler; O. A. Traugh, Esq., instructed for Searight.

Bradford—Gordon F. Mason and B. Laporte.

Chester—Hon. John A. Morrison, Enoch McGaughey, and Maj. McVeigh, instructed for Col. Bigler.

Cumberland—Delegates names mislaid, but instructed for Bigler for Governor, and John B. Bratton, Esq., for Canal Commissioner.

Centre—Dr. Samuel Stricbecker for Bigler.

Clearfield, Elk and McKean—Not elected

Columbia and Montour—Eml. Lazarus.

Crawford—Elected, but names mislaid.

Dauphin—Simon Cameron, Joseph Brubacker.

Delaware—Robert Frame.

Erie—Wm A. Galbraith and B F. Sloan, instructed for Bigler.

Fayette and Westmoreland.. Wesley Frost and Wm. Y. Roberts, instructed for Bigler and Searight; Col. James Keenan, and John Hill, instructed for Col. Black.

Franklin..John Armstrong and Joseph Johnson, Esqrs., instructed for Col. Bigler and John B. Bratton, Esq.

Green..T. H. Pauley, instructed for Bigler and Searight.

Indiana..James Bailey, Esq.

Lebanon—Samuel Morrett.

Lycoming, Clinton and Potter—Miles White, Esq. and Henry Clinger, instructed for Bigler.

Lancaster—Hon. Thaddeus Stevens, Dr. Samuel Parker, Hiram B. Swarr, J. B. Baker, Dr. N. B. Wolf, instructed for Bigler. Thomas Dean, Peter Martin, Charles M. Johnston, J Leaman Wiestburs, Dr. Jno. Ream, instructed for Col. Reah Frazer.

Luzerne..Geo. P. Steel and D. Rankin, instructed for Bigler.

Lehigh and Carbon.—— Lauell, Enos Tolan.

Monroe and Pike.—Not elected.

Mercer, Venango and Warren..Col. Wm. H. Lamberton, of Venango, and M. C. Trout, of Mercer, instructed for Bigler, and Charles R. Bell, for Canal Commissioner.

Mifflin..Elected, but name mislaid, instructed for Bigler.

Montgomery—Andrew H. Tippen, Charles Kugler, Owen Jones, instructed for Col. Bigler.

Northampton—Hon. James Burnside and John A. Innes, instructed for Col. Wm. Bigler.

Northumberland—Not elected.

Perry..Jesse Beaver, Esq. instructed for Bigler for Governor, and John B. Bratton for Canal Commissioner.

Philadelphia City..James Harvey, Patrick Conroy, Charles Worrell, James C. Vandyke, instructed for Bigler.

Philadelphia County—Wm. H. Fagan, Wm. Mc Daniel, E. P. Dunn, Wm. Rice, J. R. Mauderfield, C. Mason, Edward McCoy, M. Van Dusen, Geo. Esher, Isaac Leech, Jno. Stallman, instructed for Bigler.

Somerset..John D. Roddy.

Schuylkill..Charles Frailey, Joseph W. Cake, instructed for Bigler.

Susquehanna, Sullivan, and Wyoming.. Gen. Blanding, and a delegate to be chosen from Sullivan county.

Tioga..D. L. Sherwood, instructed for Bigler.

Washington—Wm. Montgomery, and S. S. Hayes, instructed for Bigler and Searight.

Wayne..Not elected.

Union and Juniata..Not elected.

York..Gen. Jacob S. Stahle, Edie Patterson, Esq. Col. Samuel N. Bailey, instructed for Bigler.

HARRISBURG CONVENTION.

To meet at Harrisburg on the 11th of June, to nominate candidates for the Supreme Bench.

To meet at Harrisburg, June 11, 1851, for the selection of candidates for the Supreme Bench.

SENATORIAL DELEGATES.

1. Philadelphia city.—Dr. T. J. P. Stokes, William L. Hirst, Esq., instructed to support Hon. Jas. Campbell.
2. Philadelphia County—Stephen D. Anderson, Joseph Collins, Levi Foulkrod, instructed to support Hon. James Campbell.
3. Montgomery—Israel Thomas, Esq.
4. Chester and Delaware—R. P. Smith, Esq., instructed for Judge Bell.
5. Berks—N. D. Strong Esq.
6. Bucks—Franklin Vansant.
7. Lancaster and Lebanon—2 sets from Lancaster; Dr. N. W. Semple, of Lancaster. Other Delegate from Lancaster, and Lebanon Delegates, will be given in the next publication.
8. Northumberland and Dauphin—Not elected.
9. Northampton and Lehigh—Washington Mc. Cartney, Esq.
10. Carbon, Monroe, Pike and Wayne—Not elected.
11. Adams and Franklin—James Nill, Esq.
12. York—John R. Donnell, Esq.
13. Cumberland and Perry—Gen. Henry Fetter.
14. Centre, Lycoming, Sullivan and Clinton—C. D. Eldrod, Esq.
15. Blair, Cambria and Huntingdon—Two sets.
16. Luzerne, Montour and Columbia—Wesley Rost, Esq., instructed for Hon. Luther Kidder.
17. Bradford, Susquehanna and Wyoming—F. Lusk.
18. Tioga, Potter, McKean, Elk, Clearfield and Jefferson—David Barclay, Esq., L. F. Mayoard, Esq.
19. Mercer, Venango and Warren—Hon. A. McCalmont.
20. Erie and Crawford—M. B. Lowry, instructed for Judge Thompson.
21. Butler, Beaver and Lawrence—John H. Negley, Esq., instructed for Hon. John. Bredin and Hon. James Campbell.
22. Allegheny—Hon. Wm. Wilkins, Col. Samuel W. Black, instructed for Hon. Walter H. Lowrie.
23. Washington and Greene—Gen. James Lee, of Washington, instructed for Hon. Walter H. Lowrie and Hon. Jeremiah S. Black.
24. Bedford and Somerset—Hon. Job Mann, instructed by Bedford for Lowrie and Campbell.
25. Armstrong, Indiana and Clarion—J. F. Fulton, Esq., instructed for Hon. John C. Knox and Hon. James Campbell.
26. Juniata, Mifflin and Union—Joseph B. Ard, Esq., instructed for Hon. S. Wilson.
27. Westmoreland and Fayette—Hon. Henry D. Foster.
28. Schuylkill—Charles Hegins, Esq., instructed for Hon. Luther Kidder and Hon. Ellis Lewis.

REPRESENTATIVE DELEGATES.

Adams—Hon. Moses McLean.

Allegheny—Andrew Burge, Esq., R. Biddle Roberts, Esq., Col. James A. Gibson, Thos. Blackmore, Esq., Hon. Wm. Kerr.

Armstrong, Clarion and Jefferson—John S. Rhey of Armstrong, instructed for Hon. John C. Knox and Hon. James Campbell; Geo. W. Zeigler, Esq., of Jefferson; Clarion not elected.

Bedford and Cambria—Hon. John Cessna and General Joseph McDonald, instructed for Lowrie and Campbell.

Berks—S. L. Young, Wm. W. Hiester, Jacob Coleman, Paul Geiger, instructed for Hon. Wm. Strong.

Bucks—Wm. Beans, Jonas Ott, and Reed C. Weaver.

Beaver, Butler and Lawrence—Thomas Cunningham, Esq., of Beaver, instructed for Hon. John Bredin; E. M. Breidin, Esq., of Butler, instructed for Hon. John Bredin and Hon. James Campbell; Geo. W. Watson, Esq., of Lawrence, instructed for Hon. John Bredin.

Blair and Huntingdon—Gen. J. Porter Wilson, instructed by Huntingdon to support Hon. James Campbell, Hon. Benjamin Champneys, Hon. John N. Purviance, Thaddeus Banks, Esq., from Blair.

Bradford—David Wilmot and Ulysses Mercur.

Chester—Gen. Worthington, John Hickman, Jos. J. Lewis, instructed for Judge Bell.

Cumberland—Not elected.

Centre—James Burnside, Esq., instructed for Woodward, Black, McAllister, Ellis Lewis Lowrie and Hepburn.

Clearfield, Elk, and McKean—Not elected.

Columbia and Montour—Samuel H. Oake, Esq.

Crawford—Jas. E. McFarland, S. G. Crick, instructed for Hon. Jas. Thompson.

Dauphin—Not elected.

Delaware—Dr. Jesse Young.

Erie—George H. Cutter, Esq., and Murray Whallon, Esq., instructed for Hon. James Thompson.

Fayette and Westmorland—H. P. Laird, Esq., and Hon. J. M. Burrel, A. S. Fuller, Esq., Thomas B. Searight.

Franklin—George W. Brewer, Wilson Reiley, Esq.

Greene—Not elected.

Indiana—Aguston Drum, Esq.

Juniata and Union—Samuel E. Hench, instructed for the Hons. Samuel Hepburn, Ellis Lewis, Abraham Wilson, N. J. Purviance and William Strong.

Lebanon—Not elected.

Lycoming, Clinton and Potter—J. M. B. Petriken, Esq. Hon. Timothy Ives.

Lancaster. 2 (sets) contested. Geo. Sanderson, David Laird, Henry E. Leaman, John S. Dougherty, and Andrew Leader. Other set will be printed again.

Luzerne—H. B. Wright and N. W. Nicholson, Esqrs., instructed for Judge Kidder.

Lehigh and Carbon—Hon. Asa Packer.

Monroe and Pike—Not elected.

Mercer, Venango and Warren—G. W. Schofield, Esq., Wm. Maxwell, instructed for Hon. John Bredin.

Mifflin—James Burns Esq., instructed for Hon. A. S. Wilson.

Montgomery—Benjamin E. Chain, S. N. Rich, Nathaniel Jacoby.

Northampton—Hon. James M. Porter, Andrew H. Ryoder Esq.

Northumberland—Not elected.

Perry—James McKibbens, Esq.

Philadelphia City—Chambers McKibben, Esq., William A. Porter, Esq., Dan. Haviland Esq., Pro. Conner is entitled to four. Hon. James Campbell.

Philadelphia County—John Oakford, F. C. Brightly, Esq., Wm. Byerly, Esq., Joseph Lipincott, Esq., James McClaskey Esq., Daniel M. Fox, Esq., John Cummings Esq., Jno. Nesbitt, Esq., John J. Mesny, Esq., Joseph M. Ritterson, Esq., Anthony M. Felton, Esq., instructed to support Hon. James Campbell.

Somerset—Rors Forward, Esq.

Schuylkill——— Kircher, Esq., ——Jackson, Esq., instructed for Hon. Ellis Lewis and Hon. Luther Kidder.

Susquehanna, Sullivan and Wyoming—R. R. Little and R. B. Chase, Esqrs.

Tioga—A. J. Monroe, Esq.

Washington—Col. Wm. Hopkins and A. W. Acheson Esq., instructed to support Hon. Walter H. Lowrie and Judge Black.

Wayne—Not elected.

York—Thomas P. Potter, George Sundgraass and Adam Ebaugh Esqrs.

For the Morning Post.

An Analogy.

THE VOYAGE OF LIFE.—The metaphor of this expression gives us a hint of a valuable analogy. As in an ocean voyage it is necessary to mark what the heavens, as well as the ocean, say of our progress; so in the voyage of life, the heavenly indications are quite as important as the earthly. The log-book and the quadrant are both necessary to ensure success. The voyage may seem fair, our log-book may show all right while our earthly plans succeed; but still we may veer wide of the haven of our hopes, unless we correct our log-book indications by the less variable heavenly signs ascertained by the quadrant. The physical and material indications of life may all be fair enough; but our moral, our spiritual, our final success can be insured only by frequent observation of heaven, and of the rules, instructions, and warnings which it presents to our spiritual view. Our double nature, spiritual and material, demands continual double observation. While we note the indications of the log, we must not forget the quadrant.

W. H. L.

LAMENTABLE OCCURRENCE.

Death of Horace Wells, of the Type Foundery.

It is our painful duty to announce the death of HORACE WELLS, of the Cincinnati Type Foundery. He was accidentally shot, the ball entering his body just above the heart, and lodging in the skin on the back, yesterday morning about 10 o'clock, in Oxford, in this State, whither he went on Saturday last to transact business.

Mr. Wells was standing in the street, conversing with a gentleman preparatory to entering the omnibus, just about starting for the city.

Two persons entered the "Mansion House," opposite, to take refreshments, and one of them who carried a rifle "stood it," against the wall. While the party were absent, an Oxford student picked up the weapon, and was "sighting" it across the mantel piece, toward the street, when the weapon discharged, and the ball took effect, as above stated. Mr. Wells ran to the side-walk, exclaiming, "I am shot." He was caught up and taken into the house. When the conductor left, at 11 o'clock, no hopes of Mr. Wells' recovery were entertained. The family left this city last evening, without any least hopes of finding Mr. Wells alive. Truly a melancholy occurrence. Deceased had lived in this city near forty years.—*Cincinnati Commercial, of Tuesday.*

A Flirtation.

The Manchester Democrat relates the following incident, in which one of our countrymen figured:

A young American gentleman (a Mr. P——, who is visiting Paris with the "old folks") went to a theatre and saw the elephant, and to have some fun. His great desire was to meet an angel of the fair sex. He first looked all a round, waiting to make a decision the moment he should find a fine waist and small feet.

These beauties he discovered in a domino of small figure who took his arm and began to intrigue with him. The lady told him his name, the city of the United States from which he was, and after all these preliminaries, she related to him many flirting excursions which he had made last year at Saratoga and Newport. All these things whispered in good English, were very puzzling to Mr. P——, and in order to find out who was his fair companion, he invited her to supper in a private cabinet. The lady first refused; but after some time she consented and the couple started in a carriage for the well-known restaurant of Vachette, where all the Americans take their meals. A cabinet was opened, the *petit souper* was ordered; and when they came to eat it the lady was obliged to take off her mask. Mr. P. discovered in her—whom? Guess it. You give it up—Yes. She was his mother. The romance was all over, and he took the joke the best way he could. Mrs. P., is one of the prettiest women in Paris; and no one when looking at her considering the freshness of her complexion and the beauty of her charms—would suppose that she had a son twenty-three years of age.—*Manchester Democrat.*

Scribblings and Clippings.

— Seth T. Hurd, the well known editor of the Washington "*Commonwealth*, arrived in the city on Thursday, and took lodgings at the St. Charles, Monongahela House, St. Clair House and Brown's Hotel. He seems to be *enjoying* very poor health.

— The storm of Tuesday last blew in the gable end of the Methodist Church of Greensburgh. Considerable damage was also done to the trees and fences in the neighborhood.

— At the recent election for Major in the 1st Reg't. 1st Brig'e, 17th Div., (Greensburgh,) WM. B. COULTER was elected.

— The excess of tolls on the Delaware canal, collected at Easton, up to the 1st of May inst., is $8,768 43 over that of last season for the same period. We presume the increase at the other offices has been in the same ratio.

— A workman engaged in covering the roof of the Crystal Palace with canvass, a few weeks since, lost his equilibrium, and fell through the roof to the floor below. He was quite dead when taken up.

— At the dedication of the new Lutheran Church, in New Holland, on the 27th ult., the collection towards defraying the expenses of erecting the building, amounted to about $1200.

— The Danish Post Office is making arrangements for effecting a delivery of the mails from Germany and the South every day; at present three mails arrive in one day, and on three days there is no arrival.

— In Baden eight members of the Provisionary Government during the insurrection of 1849, were condemned to death on the 23d ultimo. As none of the accused were present, the sentences were pronounced *in contumaciam.*

— Beautiful writing paper is now manufactured, in which the autography of the buyer appears in the watermark. Ivory surface paper, with damascene patterns introduced, is another beautiful novelty.

— The votes for members of Congress have been counted by a committee of the Legislature, and BENJAMIN THOMPSON, democrat, declared elected in the western district by about 1000 majority, and GEO G. KING, whig, in the eastern, by 144 majority.

— The Hon. ALEXANDER RAMSEY, Governor of Minnesota, and formerly a resident of Harrisburg, Pa., was last week honored by a public dinner whilst on a visit to that city, by his old friends and school-mates.

— The pouches from the New York post-office for Auburn and Syracuse were cut open on the steamboat on Sunday night, and Auburn rifled of all the letter packages, except one from Cincinnati. Syracuse appears all safe.

— Albert F. Barnard, of Nashville, N. H., and Rhoda A. M. Edson, of Randolph, Vt., both dead mutes, were, on the 1st instant, married in Amherst. Miss Edson is the daughter of Calvin Edson, the whilom living skeleton.

— C. C. Perkins has subscribed $10,000, Jonas Chickering and others $5000 each, Peter T. Barnum $5,000, for the new musical hall in Boston. Stock $100 a share.

— The Cincinnati Enquirer states that Gen. HANEN was seen figuring at Havana a short time since, by a gentleman who used to know him as Gen. HINTON in Ohio,—a very enthusiastic stump speaker, a very extensive mail contractor and a very successful mail robber.

— In California gaming is licensed by the State. In the country, the license is fifty dollars for three months; in the cities about two hundred dollars per table, payable quarterly.

— The Hollidaysburgh *Register* states that the Allegheny Mountain is on fire in several places, and makes a show of real fire works, consisting of blue, red, and train fires, serpents, torbilions, &c., never witnessed in any exhibition of 4th of July pyrotechnics.

— One of the emigrant cars on the Portage Railroad has been named William B. Conway, after the old Editor of the American Manufacturer of this city.

— J. M. FIELD has issued proposals for building a new place of amusement at St. Louis. A fund of fifty thousand dollars to be raised for that purpose, to be returned in 10 years—the stockholders to retain, however, the free use of the theatre.

— The cost of obtaining letters patent for an invention, for England alone, is $500—for the whole of Great Britain, $1500. Cost in the U. S., $30.

— Editors are the best hearted fellows in the world. One of them in New Haven is very much concerned as to what will become of Louis Napoleon when his presidential term expires.

— Mr. Webster has been nominated for President by a whig meeting at Yorktown, Va. The meeting also resolved their thanks to Mr. Fillmore for signing and sustaining the Fugitive Law.

— A Spanish writer says that English women rarely laugh aloud, considering it vulgar and unladylike; while Spanish women indulge in a sort of electric shock, a short musical arpeggio.

— The Scientific American says that a man in Orange County was found one night climbing an overshot wheel in a fulling mill. He was asked what he was doing. He said he was trying to get up to bed, but somehow or other the water would not hold still.

— The Western Rail Road from Dayton to the Indiana state line has adopted the Indiana Gauge, which is some two inches narrower than the Ohio roads. This will enable the same train to continue directly on without changing cars.

— "Is your note good?" asked a woodman, the other day, of a person, who offered a note for a load of maple. "Well," replied the purchaser, "I should think it ought to be—everybody's got one!"

— Winter, which strips the leaves from around us, makes us see the distant regions many formerly concealed; so does old age rob us of our enjoyments, only to enlarge the prospect for the eternity before us.

— BANVARD, the inventor of the long panoramas, is now in the Holy Land, after having traveled through Egypt and other eastern regions. He is filling great portfolios with sketches, and intends to construct many extensive Panoramas of those old historic countries.

For the Morning Post.

Fifth Street Continued.

MESSRS. EDITORS:—You have very properly, and I think *opportunely*, called the attention of property holders on and near Fifth street, to the subject of opening Fifth street into Pennsylvania Avenue, or rather straightening the Avenue to the intersection of Fifth and Ross streets.

Some fifteen years ago, when this necessary city improvement was projected, a trifling sum of fourteen or fifteen thousand dollars would have accomplished the object; but now it might require two or three times that amount. Nevertheless, though now is not so good a time as *then*, yet it is much better than any time hereafter. That the public interests and convenience will ultimately require it to be done at any cost, no one not blinded by prejudice, or the timidity and inaction of conservative old age, can doubt. The question is, shall it be done now at a comparatively moderate expense, or some years hence at the cost of hundreds of thousands. You are right in saying that the people should take the matter in hand; but you are too confined in your views when you mention as the sole contributors those who have property in Fifth street. Certainly all who own property on the streets intersecting Fifth street, for the distance of one square at least, above and below Fifth, are greatly interested in the opening of such an avenue which leads directly to East Liberty by the shortest and most level route (Pennsylvania Avenue); and by following the same street to Brady, and thence diverging only one square, leads to Turtle creek by the level plank road on Braddock street.

The property holders on Pennsylvania Avenue are almost equally interested with those on and near Fifth street, and would co-operate, it is believed, in the projected improvement, which for all purposes except in name, transform the Avenue into Fifth street continued, instead of Fourth street continued. The narrow winding and steep communication with Fourth street, would be at once abandoned for such an entrance into the heart of the city as Fifth street would afford. As you have shown yourself the active friends of all useful and necessary improvements, I hope you will bring before your readers these and some other considerations in favor of this project.

CRADLE SONG.

BY ALFRED TENNYSON.

Sweet and low, sweet and low,
Wind of the western sea,
Low, low, breathe and blow,
Wind of the western sea!
Over the rolling waters go,
Come from the dropping moon, and blow,
Blow him again to me;
While my little one, while my pretty one, sleeps.

Sleep and rest, sleep and rest,
Father will come to thee soon;
Rest, rest, on mother's breast,
Father will come to thee soon;
Father will come to his babe in the nest,
Silver sails all out of the west
Under the silver moon:
Sleep my little one, sleep my pretty one, sleep.

Col. John W. Forney.

We are gratified to learn that Col. JOHN W. FORNEY is to be the Democratic candidate for Clerk of the House of Representatives at Washington, at the ensuing session of Congress, and their does not seem to be a shadow of doubt of his success—He was the nominee of the party at the commencement of the last Congress, and was only defeated by the peculiar position of parties at that time, and the bitter hostility of the Free Soilers, in consequence of the bold and manly stand which he took in his paper in favor of the Constitution and the Union.

Within the limits of this broad Union, we know of no man better entitled to this honor than Col. Forney. When the storm of Abolition fanaticism threatened to sweep the whole north, as with a besom of destruction, and many of our leaders were ready to yield to its influence, he was the first to stand out in defence of the true principles of the Constitution and help to stay the torrent that was bearing everything before it. Now that the danger has well nigh passed by, all can see the wisdom of his course; all admit the service he has rendered to his country, and we trust the National Democracy will unite as one man, in conferring upon our gifted fellow craftman this honorable and important position.—*Harrisburg Union.*

INCIDENTS AT THE BURNING OF THE WEBSTER.—We learn from passengers on the *Yorktown* from New Orleans, that a young lady passenger on the steamer *Webster* saved the lives of two children by taking them in her arms and jumping overboard, and swimming ashore with them. Another lady rushed through the flaming cabin, and threw herself over the stern of the boat, and swam to the shore, entirely unassisted.

G. W. Bloss, the chief clerk, lost his life by endeavoring to secure a sum of money that had been deposited in the office. Messrs. Ruckman and Harrison, the pilots, each lost a child, and the latter also lost his wife. The children fell from the upper to the lower deck, and were killed by the fall.—*Louisville Courier.*

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TO the Honorable the Judges of the Court of General Quarter Sessions of the Peace, in and for the County of Allegheny:

The petition of Thomas Kerr, of the First Ward, Pittsburgh, in the County aforesaid, humbly sheweth, That your petitioner hath provided himself with materials for the accommodation of travelers and others, at his dwelling house in the Ward aforesaid, and prays that your Honors will be pleased to grant him a license to keep a public house of entertainment. And your petitioner, as in duty bound, will pray. THOMAS KERR.

We, the subscribers, citizens of the Ward aforesaid, do certify that the above petitioner is of good repute for honesty and temperance, and is well provided with house room and conveniences for the accommodation and lodging of strangers and travelers, and that said tavern is necessary.

J. Hoeh, James Gray, (firm of) John Clarke, A. Cordell, Thos Rose, John Bryar, E. Frisius, J. Hall, John Gracey, P. Coal, A. Morton, D. S. Scully. [my17:3t
(Daily Tribune copy and ch. Post.)

TO the Honorable the Judges of the Court of General Quarter Sessions of the Peace in and for the County of Allegheny:

The petition of H. Gallagher, of the Third Ward, in the County aforesaid, humbly sheweth—That your petitioner hath provided himself with materials for the accommodation of travelers and others, at his dwelling house, in the Ward aforesaid, and prays that your Honors will be pleased to grant him a license to keep a public house of entertainment. And your petitioner, as in duty bound, will pray. HUGH GALLAGHER.

We, the subscribers, citizens of the Ward aforesaid, do certify that the above petitioner is of good repute for honesty and temperance, and is well provided with house room and conveniences for the accommodation and lodging of strangers and travelers, and that said tavern is necessary.

Felix Laverty, R F Millen, H M Garrigle, E Lippington, M W Lewis, J Kenz, D M'Mullan, H Lailey, M Cramer, Wm M Edgar, John Wallace, Playton.
[Chronicle copy and ch. Post.]

TO the Honorable the Judges of the Court of General Quarter Sessions of the Peace in and for the County of Allegheny:

The petition of John Mish, of the Third Ward, City of Pittsburgh, in the county aforesaid, humbly sheweth, That your petitioner hath provided himself with materials for the accommodation of travelers and others, at his dwelling house in the Ward aforesaid, and prays that your Honors will be pleased to grant him a license to keep a public house of entertainment. And your petitioner, as in duty bound, will pray. JOHN MISH.

We, the subscribers, citizens of the Ward aforesaid, do certify that the above petitioner is of good rep