DISGRACEFUL RIOT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

There is evidently some great, startling, wonder-

ful event at hand-the Milenium, for instance-

out of joint-at sixes and sevens-upside down-

wives poisoning their husbands—husbands licking

their wives - Sub-Treasurers swartwouting - the

Lynch law becoming the law of the land-steamers

are "busting" -- stage coaches upsetting-locomo-

tives running off the track-the Seminoles wallop-

ing Uncle Sam's "reglars"-new religious sects

springing up like mushrooms-and big whiskered

fellows deluding innocent young maidens. To cap

the climax, there has been a regular, genuine, old

fashioned fight in the House of Representatives at

Washington. We have always thought that it would

come to that at last, and are now glad that it is all

over. The subjoined graphic description of this

never-to-be-forgotten riot, was forwarded to us by a

correspondent at the seat of government; and we

have every reason to believe that we are put into ex-

clusive possession of this important bit of intelligence

Read, perpend, and, if possible, try to prevent your

hair from standing on end, " like the quills," &c.

In the House of Representatives, as soon as the

morning business was disposed of, Mr. Pickens, the

mitted a report, in which our present ticklish rela-

tions with Great Britain were fully treated and dis-

cussed. The report was belligerent and bellicose in

the extreme, and produced a great sensation among

the members present. It was no sooner read, and of

M. C's were on their legs, all talking at once, and as

" Order !" " order !" shouted the Speaker, and his

nallet descended on the desk with the force of a

sledge-hammer; but the sound was lost in the gen-

some bolted out respectable sized oaths, well garnish-

ed with the most luose and indelicate expressions.

It was a perfect Babel, mixed up with some of the

"Mr. Speaker," said Dr. Duncan, "we can lick

" You d- d liar, take that," said a fellow in the

tleman with great violence; it glanced off his left

"Who threw that brick !" exclaimed the doctor,

turning towards the gallery, and his face pale from

"What Bank ruffian," continued the Doctor

what British Whig has dared to throw a brick bat

at me? The miserable blue light federalist dasn't du

"Shut up, you bullying blaguard," said Mr. Cost

his fingers, exclaimed, " I don't value you that."

"I'll give you goss, Doctor, if you don't mind

where you fling your ----," said Mr. Hubbard, of

This cry was responded to by a number of the

Kentucky delegation crowing like game cocks. This

bers of the "hoosier state." They rose in a body

and declared, that inasmuch as Mr. Pickens had re-

ported in favor of a "fight," they were for going the

entire critter," blast their picters! They proposed,

by way of a feeler, to lynch every John Bull that

Mr. John Quincy Adams said that such a propo-

The "great petitioner's" objections were complete-

ly silenced by Mr. Proffit's volunteering the follow-

ing verse, from the exquisite national melody of

Oh, my old missus dead and gone,

The devil sing her funeral song, God bress her, luff her go, &c., &c.

The chorus to the song was full and effective, as

a majority of the members joined in, without refer-

ence to party-the Speaker keeping time with his

As soon as this agreeable interlude was over. Mr

Wise rose on his lean shanks, and endeavored to

make himself heard, and heard to some purpose. He

said that he "should hold every member present

personally responsible for their disgraceful proceed-

ings; as they were not only amenable to civil law

proceed no further. Cries of "knock him down,"

"hustle him out," "turn him out," &c., &c., were

At this stage of the proceedings, Mr. Cushing, of

Massachusetts, a tall, lean, lank, dried up, shrewd

looking Yankee, mounted his desk, and proceeded to

"You poor, miserable set of squirts, it's actilly

nough to crive a feller ravin' distructed to hear the

way you go on. Where did you larn manners?

You couldn't act worse if you were nasty, dirty, dis-

pisable niggers, no how you can fix it. Was the

battle of Bunker Hill foughten to no purpose ! If

we are to make the tarnal English absquatulate, let

us go to work like men. We all know that the En-

glish can lick the universal world, and that we can

ick the English. But I am not coming to the pint.

I have a word to say to the Virginny gentleman,-

You think, sir, that you can come for to bully us

full-blooded Yankees; but I am darned if you haint

woke up the wrong passenger this time. If any

honorable gentleman will hold my hat, I'll engage to

walk into that Virginny mummy's affections, in

pretty considerable awful manner. I dares him to

Mr. Vanderpoel, of New York, offered to hold the

hat of the Massachusetts member. Mr. John Quincy

Adams, with great magnanimity, offered to bury the

hatchet with Mr. Wise, and to do the amiable for

him on this trying occasion. The preliminaries

air. It was decided by a vote of 112 to 68 in favor

of the open air; and by a very close vote-92 to 88-

it was also decided that they should fight across a hand-

kerchief; Messrs. Adams and Vanderpoel to hold

the respective ends, besides the hats of their principals.

As the mail leaves immediately, it is impossible to

give you the conclusion of this highly interesting af-

fair. As I am closing this letter, the members are

pairing off, in order to proceed to the battle ground.

It will be a fearful struggle. A conflict between

BREAKING A PRESS .- The following recipe for

"THE OLD BOY IN SPECS."

Southern chivalry and Yankee cunning.

knock a chip off my shoulder."

heard from all parts of the House.

answer Mr. Wise's remarks. He said,

gallery, and a brick bat was hurled at the Ohio gen-

the British the best day they ever saw. We have

choice elements of the infernal regions.

done it, sir, and we can do it again."

suppressed rage.

that agin."

Alabama.

shoulder without doing him much harm.

"Bah!" cried several members.

"Order !" cried the Speaker.

might be found in the country.

sition was out of order, &c.

Sittin on a Rail."

mallet.

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red as turkey cocks in their respective faces.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12, 1841.



POTTSVILLE.

Saturday Morning, Feb. 20.

THE VETO MESSAGE. - We have perused Governor Porter's Veto Message, relative to the bill providing for the appointment of Canal Commissioners, with feelings of amazement and wonder, not unmixed with disgust. As a literary production, it is almost beneath criticism; the style being low, coarse and vulger, and in one or two instances, the Governor's sentiments are somewhat quiatelligible from the bungling manner in which his sentences are constructed. But this is a minor fault. It is the views, the sentiments, which the Gavernor unblushingly avows and promulges in this message, and not the language in which they are clothed, that we propose to animalivert upon.

The Governor broadly instinuates that the Legislature was actuated wholly and solely by partizan feeling in the passage of this bill—that they wished to deprive him of power-that the public good was lost sight of, and the futherance of political schemes only kept in view. The governor dc es not stop here. He contends that he could not well approve of this bill as it is clearly at variance with the constitution of the State, and makes pretty liberal quotations from the constitution in support of the position which he has assumed. What will our readers think-what will every honest and high minded man think, when we say, that these quotations are taken from the old constitution, which has been null and void for years past; and that the power, alluded to by the Governor, which was not vested in the Legtalature by the old constitution, is now granted by our present constitution. Whatever of argument and reasoning that may be found in the Message is based upon these said quotations, and now that the miserelle cheat, the contemptible trick, to hoodwink the people has been exposed, the Governor's constitutional objections tumble to pieces, and he stands confessed an ignorant or a knavish politician.

The Governor tells the Legislature, almost in so many words, that they are deeply imbued with a spirit of corruption and intrigue; and as for trusting them, or placing any confidence in them, that's quite out of the question. A more wanton, cool or deliberate insult to a legislative body is not on record. The governor strangely forgets himself, his place, and the people by whose suffrages he has been placed in his present high position. He forgets that we are living under a republican form of government, and that the legislature is composed of men who are directly the representatives of the people; that to ahridge their power, is to abridge the power of the people; that to trimple upon their constitutional rights, is to trample upon the constitutional rights of the people; and that to insult these representatives. in their official capacity, is to place the popular will

at scorn and defince. We much mistake the character of Pennsylvanians if Governor Porter is not signally and effectually rebuked for his glaring misconduct. He has abused the confidence of the people; and the same means which were made use of to being him into porter, will be brought to hear, before the lapse of many months, to teach him a bitter, but a calutary and wholesome lesson.

Sec - Miss Wyman the lady ma gician, and Mr. Wyman, the Ventriloquist, have been playing in this town with considerable success, at Peale's Room, over Lippincott's clothing store, on the corner of Centre and Mahantango streets. The performances are really very clever and well worth seeing. We understand that a performance will be given by these artists at three o' clock this afternoon, and a second one in the evening. Miss Shaw, the celebrated Albiness, will be exhibited during the day and evening at the above

THE FURNACE. The Authracite Furnace, in this borough, blejv in on Wednesday last, under the superindence of Mr. Charles Henderson, and continued to work to the satisfaction of all concerned up to the time our paper was put to press-with a fur prospect of rewarding the industry and enterprise of the proprietors, Messrs. Marshall & Co. The proprietors are gradually working her up to her full capacity. She is tapped regularly, and on Friday morning produced 22 tons of first quality pig metal.

If the Banks go down, the two million of dollars annually drained from this source to support the credit of the state, must be raised by direct taxation. Farmers and Tax Payers, are you willing to be saddled with this burthen, in addition to the present taxes, merely to gratify a few lazy, brawling radicals?

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRADE. - The con tinued indisposition of the Chairman of the Board of Trade, to whom was assigned the duty of preparing the annual report, has delayed the appearance of this document beyond the usual time. We deem this notice necessary to satisfy inquiries for the report from abroad.

WASHINGTON'S BIRTH-DAY .- On Monday, the Military Companies of this town will parade, in ho nor of the anniversary of Washington's Birth-day. In the evening, a Ball will be given at the Pennsylvania Hall, and also one at Mr. O'Connor's Hotel.

Awrut. Rocks and water! what are we coming to! A statement appears in the New York papers of Wednesday last, announcing the destruction of the Falls of Ningara !! Can it be possible ? or, is it another moon hoar? A number of lives is said to have been lost.

Stealing Newspapers from the doors of subthis for the information of those who have been indulging in this species of theft latterly in this Borough.

SCHUTLEILL NAVIGATION .- We learn from the Superintendent of the upper end of these works, that if no further injury is sustained by freshets, the naany, beyond the usual period of opening in the

KENTUCKY -A committee of the Kentucky Legislature recommend the passage of a Bill to raise the taxes in that State to 15 cents on each hundred dollars of property, as necessary to preserve the credit of the State, there being a deficiency in the resources of the sinking fund of more than \$114,000, to meet its known liabilities for the current year.

" PIPE LAYING,"-An article in the Portsmouth Journal states, that there were cast at the late election in New Hampshire, several thousand more votes than there are polls in the State, according to the returns of the Assessors.

U. S. BARE.-This institution has forwarden a most ably written memorial to the Legislature. We funds, double the quantity held by all the Banks in of stealing a horse !" are compelled to omit its publication, owing to the the State of New York, according to their last report. growded state of our columns.

The Philadelphia North American, in alluding to the visit paid President Van Buren by the Presi- have reported unanimously that the Loco Printers of dent elect, says, that he has proved himself a brave the Journals of last session, had charged, and had and honorable soldier, by walking straight into the received seven thousand five hundred dollars more camp of his enemies, and making friends of them all. than they were entitled to receive by law.

THE SCHOOL FUND.-It will be recollected that the United States Bank, according to a provision in its Charter, is compelled to pay an annual sum of \$100,000 towards the Common School Fund of this State, for twenty years, commencing at the time the charter was granted to the Bank. Five years have already elapsed and the Bank has faithfully met its obligations to the State. The School Fund in round numbers amounts to \$300,000 per annum, of which one-third is contributed by the U. S. Bank. Now, we would ask, what would become of this School Fund, if the U. S. Bank was forced to wind up-to go into liquidation? Is it not apparent that one-third of this sum would be lost? And is it not highly probable that when this large slice is taken from this noble charity, that the balance will not be

forthe oming in the present condition of the State ! These are important considerations, and come horne to nearly every family in the State. Our Common School Fund is in a measure threatened; and if at the present time the principles of radicalism should be in the ascendant in Pennsylvania, we predict that in less than five years not a vestage of the Common Schools will be left in this State.

SMALL NOTE BILL .- A very large majority of the people of this county, and of the State likewise, irrespective of party, are in favor of our Banks issuing bills under the denomination of \$5; and if our law makers at Harrisburg consult the wishes of their constituents, a small-note bill will be passed at the present session of the Legislature, Governor Porter's opposition to the contrary notwithstanding. Such a Bill is in operation in New York and in the Eastern States, and Virginia recently has been compelled to imitate the example of her Eastern neighbors The advantages of such a bill are too obvious to require a passing allusion; the necessity of such a bill is evident from the fact that a considerable portion of the circulating medium of this State, is composed of the small notes of the neighboring States. Penn sylvania now is flooded with f reign Bank paper to the prejudice of her domestic institutions.

GEN. HARRISON'S CARINET .- The National In elligencer of Saturday last states, in a semi-official manner, that the Cabinet of General Harrison will be composed of the following distinguished gentle

Secretary of State - DANIEL WEBSTER, of the State Massachusetts. Secretary of the Treasury-Thomas Ewing, o

Secretary of Wur- John Bell, of the State of Ten-Secretary of the Navy-George E. Badgen, of he State of North Carolina.

Postmaster General-Francis Granges, of the Attorney General-J. J. CRITTENDEN, of the State of Kentucky.

This is indeed a "strong team," and we need hardly observe that the above annunciation has already met with general approbation. Gen. Harrison has evidently consulted the great interests of the country in the selection of his Cabinet officers.

"The Lehigh and Schuylkill Coal Regions mined and shipped to market last year about 600 000 tons of Coal-this year they cannot send to market over 300 000 tons.

The above is from the Wilkesbarre Advocate .-The writer is most egregiously mistaken in his cal culations. We have a sufficient number of mines alieady opened, and can easily mine at least 500,-000 tons of Coal in this region in the course of the present year, and ship it to market too if the Navigation Company will extend the necessary encouragement to build a sufficient number of boats to car-

UNITED STATES BANK -It will be in recollection of our readers, that ien days ago Mr. Andrew Milfer cited the President and Directors of the U S. Bink to show cause why they would not pay him specie for several ten dollar bills which he held on that Bank. Upon the case being called up before the Court of Common Pleas, yesterday morning, J. Cadwallader E-q., the Counsel for the Bank, paid over to the Prochonotary of the Court the amount claimed in gold pieces .- Standard.

We do not know the individual in question, but when we take every thing into consideration, we cannot come to any other conclusion then that Andrew Miller must be a very small pattern of a man.

A Remon .- It is rumored that Gov. Porter wiil reto a Bill for the issue of small notes by our Banks. If the Governor is determined to veto every Bill brought forward for the relief of the people, we may as well dispense with the Legislature at once, and let the Governor legislate for the people. The frequent exercise of the veto power latterly, which according to the spirit of the Constitution, was only to be exercised in cases of hasty legislation, and when acts were known to be unconstitutional, will soon call down the disapprobation of an insulted and oppressed people, in a manner that will make our rulers feel their displeasure.

A WARNING .- An Irish family, occupying wooden tenement, owned by Mr. De Forrest, on the West Branch Rail road, came near perishing a few nights since. It appears that the whole family occupied the same bed room, which was on the second floor. The room was warmed by an Anthracite coal stove. On the evening in question, it is supposed that the wind forced the gas generated from the Ceal, back into the room, through the stove-pipe and as the room was badly ventilated, the whole family was nearly suffocated before their perilous situation was known, or assistance could be procured.

CAUTION .- Folks cannot be too careful now-adays-there are so many scamps prowling about, like so many roaring lions, seeking what they can devour, and seeking what they can steal. Our friend, Mr. Russel, on Mahantango street, on Tuesday night last, suffered a ofew." His clothes-line was stripped of any quantity of valuable linen, &c.. which had been placed there to undergo the operascribers is a Penitentiary offence. We mention tion of drying. As yet, no clue to the discovery of the thieves has been made.

MRS. HARRISON .- It is stated in the Madisonian that Gen. Harrison's household will not be completed until after the opening of the spring, when Mrs. Harrison, now at North Bend, is expected to join the Goneral. Meantime the domestic arrangements vigation of the Canal will be delayed very little, if of the White House will be superintended by the family of Mr. Taylor, the General's son-in-law, who will be his private Secretary.

The general conservative tone of the Pennsylvanian and American Sentinel, administration papers, meets the approbation of all parties. Pennsylvania feeling and Pennsylvania interests have triumphed over party in the present emergency. In fact we learn that but one all absorbing question pervades all parties in that city, how shall we protect the people of Pennsylvania and her Institutions from one of the most unholy and in amous combinations that ever raged war against her interests?

The New York small note Bill was repealed. the Banks in that State could not continue to pay specie one week. The Philadelphia Banks alone in

Loce "GRIBBING."-The Committee on Accounts in the House of Representatives of this state

COLUMBIA COUNTY, -The Democrats of Columhis county, held a meeting on the 6th inst, at Bloomsburg, and selected Joshua W. Comly, E-q. as a delegate to the 10th of March Democratic Convention. with instructions to support Judge Banks as the denocratic candidate for governor. The meeting also appointed George H. Willeis, and B. R. Paxton, Esq'rs., conferees, to meet conferees from Schuylkill county, for the purpose of selecting delegates to represent the Senatorial district, and they recomnended Dr. B. Wilson as the delegate.

In consequence heretofore of the democratic party not being perfectly organized in Columbia county, and it as much as that county had not been represented in convention, for several years past, Schuylkill county, at the last county meeting, " took the responsibility" of appointing a delegate. As the gentleman selected is favorable to the pretensions of Judge Banks, and as his views correspond with those of our friends in Columbia county, we presume no objection will be made. Columbia county, undoubtedly, is entitled to the choice of a senatorial delegate in the present instance, but we hope that she will now waive her just claims, and trust to the future to balance her demands against Schuylkill county.

At the above meeting the following resolutions were

Resolved, That a judicious Tariff is necessary to velope the hidden treasures of our Cammonwealth. Resolved, That the act releasing the payment of luties on Rail Road iron is injurious to the best in crests of our Country and ought to be repealed. Resolved. That the efforts already made by the Hon, Dr. Petrikin, our member of Congress, to obtain a repeal of the law exempting Rail Road Iron rom the payment of duties, meets with the hearty mmendation of the citizens of the county of Co umbia, without regard to party, and he is requested o persevere until success shall crown his effocts.

MR. PENROSE'S SCHEME.-In the Senute, or Tuesday last, in the course of a very able speech Mr. Peniose gave the outline of a plan of relief, which all classes of our citizens stand so much in need of. The following is a rough sketch of Mr. Penrose's scheme: -Five millions of dollars of State Stock, bearing interest at five per centum per annum, and redeemable in the year 1862, shall be created. The Stock so created shall be divided to and among

the Banks of this Commonwealth respectively, in proportion to their capitals. Each Bank shall pass to the credit of the Commonwealth the amount of stock so transferred to it, and shall be permitted to issue bank notes to the same amount, which notes shall be signed by the proper officers of such bank, and be further authenticated by the signature of the State Treasurer, or a

No bank shall be subjected to any penalties for the non-payment in specie of any notes so issued on the

clerk in his department, to be appointed by him for

faith of such stock. Each bank to which stock shall be assigned by the Commonwealth shall, when required by any act or acts of the Legislature, pay to the Commonwealth any amount on the same which may from time to time be designated, and from the time when the same is paid to the Commonwealth so much stock shall bear interest to said bank.

The banks of this Commonwealth shall be permitted to issue notes of the denomination of one, two and three dollars.

No penalties shall be inflicted for the period of one year upon the banks of this Commonwealth for the non-payment of their notes in specie.

PHILADELPHIA BANKS.—The annexed table compiled from official sources, shows the amount of pecie paid out by the Philadelphia Banks from the of fifty-four days. Figures speak for themselves, and it is evident that if the same premedit led run had been made upon the New York or Massachusetts banks, as was made upon the l'hiladelphia banks, those boasted and boasting institutions would ere this have been compelled to suspend specie pay-

Amount of Specie and Specie Funds, paid by the Banks of Philadelphia, from Dec 15th, 1840, to Feb.

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h. 1841, inclusive:	A 1 1 / 1 00 0
Philadelphia,	\$ 1,141.820
Pennsylvania,	1,137.164
Girard,	1,056.009
Farmers' & Mechanics',	802,628
North America,	235,000
	212,000
Mechanics',	130,000
Commercial,	101,000
Moyamensing,	75.981
Southwark,	67,000
Northern Liberties,	50,000
Penn Township,	
Western,	30,000
Manufacturers' & Mechanics',	25,000
	, 9,139
Kensington,	
_	8 5,122,732
77 to 1.00 and	6,083,321
United States,	0,000,000

THE NEW SECRETARY OF THE NAVY .- We have een often asked, "who is Mr. Badger," the new Secretary of the Navy ! The question is thus satisfactorily answered by a correspondent of the Na-

Total.

tional Intelligencer:-"Mr. Badger is justly regarded as one of the very ablest lawyers in the United States. He rarely speaks longer than one hour on any subject, and in that space of time he will do ample justice to his client, and often demolishes a three day's speech of his adversary. When that accomplished scholar and profound jurist, Wm. Gaston, was at the bar, Mr. Badger, though a much younger man, was his formidable rival. If I had a cause in any court in the United States, I would as soon employ George E. Badger, as any lawyer in America. During the last war, when the British invaded the eastern shore of North Carolina, Gov. Hawkins, with a large number of volunteer militia, marched quickly to the defence of the seaboard. In that expedition, George E. Badger, then about 19 years old, volunteered, was appointed by Major General Jones one of his aids, and remained in the public service until the enemy retreated, took water, and sailed from North

CURIOUS VERDICT. - In the Court of Sessions yes lerday, one John Sauler, alias Seiler, was tried for an assault and battery with an intent to kill Peter Haman. The verdict under the direction of the Court was "Guilty of assault and battery with in. tent to commit man-slaughter."-N. Y. Standard. The above puts us in mind of a case that took place in the State of New Jersey, a few years ago. About that indefinite period, a man, whose nave we do not recoilect, was arrested and fully committed on a charge of having murdered one of his neighbors. On the trial so many extenuating circumstances appeared in favor of the culprit, that the Judge, in his charge, half recommended the prisoner to the tender mercies of the Jury. The Jury retired, but were soon at a loss what verdict to bring in. They did not wish to bring in a verdict of murder, whether in the 1st, 2J, 3d, 4th or 5th degrees, as the punish ment would be too severe for the nature of the of. fence committed. They thought he deserved some punishment, and, therefore, in order he should be "served out" in a small way, they brought in a verless than two months, paid out in specie and specie dict of Guilty-but guilty of what? Why, "guilty

We find the following in the N. Y. Atlas .-Pass it round—it is too good to be lost. " Was you ever on the coast of Norway, Jack !"

"Yes." " What do you think of the whirlpool?" "What! the maelstroom! I think its a regular suck in !"

ALL SORTS OF ITEMS.

The Chesnut street theatre, Philadelphia, com menced their spring season on the 10th inst., and closed again the same night. Rather a short season. Bennet, of the N. Y. Herald, is now in Philadel judging from the " signs of the times." The social, phia. It is said that old "cock eye" was born in religious, political and banking worlds are completely 1820, and consequently he is now in his twenty-first knocked into cock'd hats. Banks are breaking-

Amos Kendall intends to take up his abode in New York-to accompany his master, Martin Van Buren, in his exile. Put that and that together.

The N. Y. Bowery theatre is offered for sale. The rumored defalcations in the U. S. Bank turns out to be's malicious fabrication, emanating, doubtless, from New York.

Asa Child, the agent of the Norwich and Worcester Railroad, is a defaulter to the tune of \$33,000. Thus we go. In the town of China, Maine, a few days since, a

oung, lovely and accomplished lady committed suicide by cutting her throat. Cause unknown. We are pleased to hear that Mississippi has de-

ermined to redeem her bonds. The New York money market is said to be in an easy condition, and the banks discounting freely. Doubtful.

The Hon. Charles Ogle is still scriously indisposed at Washington

Harry Placide, the best comedian in the United States, is playing an engagement at the National Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Affairs, subtheatre, Philadelphia. In the State Senate, this week, Mr. Spackman re-

ported a bill for suspending, for a period of forty days, the enforcement of the renalties incurred by the banks, in consequence of their late suspension of course became a debatable subject, than at least fifty specie payments.

The Baltimore banks only paid out \$100,000, in specie, during the late resumption.

\$9 000,000 is the estimated cost of the New York and Erie Railroad.

Vandenhoff has been giving Shaksperian lectures eral noise and confusion. The members would not or could not be checked. Speak they would, and in the Atlantic cities. speak they did. Some raved, some shouted, and

An exchange paper says that a lady in stays it like Jonah in the whale's belly-"confined in whale hones." Did you ever know a young lady that was too

weak to stand up during church time who could not dance all night at a ball. It is stated in the U. S. Gozette, as being highly probable, that the Hon. John Sargent will receive

the appointment of Minister to England. John Jacob Astor has lost \$1,000,000 by depreciation in value of the U. S. Bank stock.

In Boston, no gentleman of the press is an appli ant for office under General Harrison.

Resolutions in favor of the distribution of the pubic lands, a National Bank, and the repeal of the Sub l'ressury Law, have been adopted by the Legislature of Rhode Island.

We don't receive the Sunday Atlas regularly .-Who is to blame !

Peach trees in Mississippi and Lousians are now The Doctor looked at his assailants, and just as he had finished the operation of blowing his nose with

The Rev. Mr. Maffit is still making a great sen sation in St. Louis by his powerful and eloquent apeals to all classes.

The state debt of Indiana is nearly fifteen millions

This week a buckster woman was pelted with rotten eggs out of the Philadelphia market, by the other huckster women in the market. Cause-marrying

We have had some delicious days in this region lately. Soft, balmy, and beautiful.

The Pennsylvanian has made a lame defence of Gov. Porter's high handed conduct in pardoning the editors of the "Magician." It wont do. Fucts are stul-born things.

On Monday last, Gen. Harrison paid a visit to the U. S. Senate. The administration members were mong the first to welcome him.

It would seem as if the editor of the Danville Democrat had not yet sufficient time or inclination to answer our questions which appeared on the 6th inst. Like one of poor Goldsmith's heroes, he can keep up the conversation if he cannot keep up the argument. Our Danville friend probably recollects that most of the gambling houses in the large cities are in the habit of employing "stool pigeons," for the purpose of decoying and then fleecing the unwary. Such appears to have been the course pursued by several "interested persons" in Danville. The services of miners from this region have been engaged, for the purpose of endorsing all the idle and ridiculous stories which are almost daily fabricated and put in circulation about the wonderful resources of but to canon law likewise." The fiery Virginian could Danville, and the delusion the Pottsville folks are laboring under in supposing that they are living in the neighborhood of coal and iron ore.

The editor of the Democrat, in all charity be it whispered, is evidently the catspaw of one of these estool pigeons." In the last number of his paper he s made to talk quite scientifically on a subject which he is indifferently acquainted with; but still he has made several silly blunders. What does he mean by talking about Anthracite Coal veins without faults? The thing is absurd.

VINGINIA BANKS .- We learn from the Richmond papers of Friday last, that the banks in that city continued to pay specte; and as the small note bill had become a law, and the banks had already availed themselves of it by issuing a batch of very handsomely executed ones and twos, which had been prepared for a former occasion, but not then used, it is thought at Richmond that they will be able to retain specie payments. The Baltimore Patriot observes: The authority to issue small notes, for change, of known value and ready convertibility, is certainly an important element of strength to the Richmond banks. And the policy of withdrawing their own circulation, and replacing it by notes payable at the distant, over-the-mountain branches, is also no trivial one, as times go. With the help of both these, and a little tightening of the money market, the Richmond banks may continue to pay specie for all notes of their own issue, which may be presented to them having been settled, a question arose as to whether for that purpose. the fight should come off in the House or in the open

BRITISH MODESTY .- The Colonial Magazine for Jan. 1841 has in an article on America containing

he following tirade: "It is our duty to settle at once the boundary question. We are now maintaining a large and expensive army in Canada and New Brunswick: et a powerful equadron of our ships of the line heavy frigates, steam ships and bomb-vessels be ordered to rendezvous in Halifax at the opening of the navigation in spring, and measures be, in the mean time, taken, through our Minister at Washington, to declare, peremptorily, that the boundary must be fixed within a given time. As the Ameri consure always so ready to take advantage of the magined difficulties of England, let us not lose the present opportune period for the claiming and es tablishing of rights which have been fraudulently

bresking down a Press is from an exchange paper. The sverage value of the annual produce of the We can assure our readers that it will prove effectumines of the British Islands amounts to the enoral in its, operations, if they wish to try the experimous sum of £ 20,000,000: of which about £8,000, 000 arise from iron and £9,000,000 from coal. The mineral produce of Cornwall and Devon alone Let a large number of its subscribers conclude has recently amounted to £ 1,340,000. In this esthat because the business is good, the editor is not timate the value of the copper is taken in the cre in want of the little sums they owe : let its friends habitually delay the fulfilment of their promises before fusion; and that of the iron, zinc. tin, and silver, after fusion, in their first marketable condiand contracts with the editor, and the most prospertion—as pigs, blocks, and and ingots: the coal is valued at the pit's mouth.—London Globe. ous establishment in the world must come down at

We have received the following communication, in reply to an article which appeared in our last over the signature of "A Tax Payer." It is contrary to our custom to publish articles of a personal or vituperative pature; but inasmuch as the following does not appear in an anonymous shape, we are perfectly willing that Mr. Potts should make use of the columns of the Miners' Journal os a medium to throw off such bile as he may have accumulated during the last year. It is almost needless to say. that the opinion entertained by Mr. Potts that " A Tax Payer" is an officer in the Miners' Bank is erroneous; however, Mr. P. is as correct as usual in his assertions and conjectures. "A Tax Payer" is neither an officer, director, nor stockholder of the

Miners' Bank. Our limits will not permit of a more extended notice of Mr. Potts' communication. Next: week we may notice it at length, and expose the attempte which Mr. P. has made to force us into a false possition. In conclusion, we would observe, from our knowledge of the respectability of "A Tax Payer." we believe that he will not shrink from entering into a discussion with Mr. Potts; and that he is both ready and able to join issue with him on the score of

[FOR THE MINER'S JOURNAL.]

Mr. B. Bannan-Sir :- In the Miners' Journal of the 13th inst. under the caption of "the Banksthe Suspension," you say that it was your intention to have prepared an article, but are induced to postpone your remarks in consequence of having received a communication from a correspondent on the same subject; then follows an article signed "A tax payer." I care not to enquire by whom that communication was written, the fact of its having been published in your paper avowedly with your approbation, is sufficient to cast upon you the responsibility; but it may be proper hereafter for a reason which I shall presently state to enquire into its authorship. To that part of the communication which relates to the suspension by the Banks and financial condition of the Commonwealth, I have nothing to say. My object is only to advert to that part which contains an exhibition of the acrid feeling of the author towards the Trensurer and the Commissioners of the county, and which evinces an ignorance of facts and recklessness of truth which leaves the nother without excuse, and stamps his communication as the coullition of partisan phrensy or personal animosity. That such a course should be pursued in times of great political excitement, when the object is to elevate a favority or to destroy an opponent, can well be imagined; but that that course should be continued, now that the excitement is or ought to have subsided, can only be accounted for on the principle that having been so long habitunted to treating things under talse representations a regard for consistency requires its continuar.ce.

The first assertion made in the communication referred to is, " that the County Treasurer with # feeling inunicable to the Miners' Bank, in an insidious manner, endeavoured to thwart is usefulnes. by drawing out on the 6.h inst. through an agent \$ 1500 in rpecie." This the Treasurer has in answer to my enquiry pronounced to be unqualifiedly false. The character of this gentleman is well and extensively known for correct business habits and gentlemanly deportment, and he would suffer such an assertion to pass unheeler, or perhaps with a smile at the folly of its author, were it not for an injurious effect which it may have on the interests of the county and to which I shall presently advert. Equally untrue is the assertion that the county of

Schuylkil! is indebted to the Miners' Bank for an amount equal to if not greater than the amount supposed to have been drawn in specie by the Treasurer. Sir, the Commissioners of Schuelkill county say to you, to the Miners' Bank, and to the community, that the county is not indebted to that institution to the amount of one farthing. And the assertion made by you is as silly as it is untrue, because a reference to the records of your county will show the situation of the claim of the Miners' Bank against Daniel Christian, to which it is supposed you allude, it indeed you mean anything. I now come to that part of your tirade in which

bundant bile towards the Commissoners of the ounty. You say "they have displayed the wisdom of Solomon, that from their last report it appears that there is upwards of \$10,000 in the hands of the Treasurer, which gives the officers, (the Treasurer and Commissioners 1 suppose you mean) a chance of speculating on money for which the county is paying interest."

Now let us examine how this matter stands.

The actual amount in the hands of the Treasurer at last settlement was \$ 10,489 68. Immediately after the balance was ascertained, the Commissioners resolved to pay off \$6000 of the county debt, leaving \$ 4489 68 in the Treasury, hable to be drawn out at a moment's notice for the ordinary expenses of the county, in addition to a claim of \$ 5000 made by the Directors of the Poor House for the current expenses of that institution. In accordance with his resolution, 5 bonds amounting to \$2.826 98 were immediately paid. One other bond holder refused to receive his money unless part in specie.
At the same time \$1,780 06 were immediately drawn out of the Treasury on orders of the Commissioners for the payment of Assessors, Court costs, \$ 1000 to the Treasurer of the Poor House, &c. &c. which would leave in the Treasury \$2,709 62, and leaving the Treasury liable to the dratt of the Directors of the Poor House for \$ 5000 and the ordinary expenses of the County, for Court costs, jurois, &c. Now, sir, this is a plain statement of facts which

was as accessible to you as to any other person if your object had been the dissemination of truth instead of a wanton attack upon gentlemen who happen to differ from you in their political opinions. With the same regard to truth and consistency

which characterizes the singular production, you conclude that part of your remarks by saying " that as the treasurer has converted the whole surplus of \$ 10,000 in the treasury into specie, the public who have claims on the county will take care to receive nothing short of the real rhino for their ducs." Wonderful, indeed! As a little leaven leaveneth the whole lump, so the \$1500 supposed to have been drawn out by the Treasurer has by some chemical process converted the whole \$10,000 into the real solid rhino. I presume, sir, you are quite familiar with the story of the three black crows.

I stated in the commencement that I cared not by whom that Communication was written, but that

it might become proper to enquire into its author-

ship. And I now say that it is due to the Miners' Bank, and to the community who are so much benefitted by that institution, that you should avow its author. There are not wanting men who conclude that the author of that article is to be traced to the Miners' Bank, because it speaks of private affairs which might be supposed to be within the cognizance of the Bank alone. If then the Bank has entered into the political arena and filed her declaraion, let that fact be distinctly announced. The Treasurer and Commissioners will at once join issue with her. But if the fact be not so, which I candidly avow to be my opinion, then well may the Bank exclaim, save me from my friends. It is example to arouse the passions of the many, but when once aroused it is difficult to allay them. Proclaim, sir, to the people that the Treasurer has \$10,000 in specie, drawn from the vaults of the Miners' Bank. Urge them as you have done, to demand specie for all moneys due them from the county, and you at once arouse a spirit which may crush to the earth that institution which by your mirguided zeal you seem desirous to uphold. For be assured if claims are made on the treasurer for specie, the treasurer must resort to the Bank to a supply the demand, which if not complied with, he may be compelled in self defence to avail himself of those resources against the Bank which the laws have placed within his reach, in which event it will be easy to fore-see who will be the sufferer. And it is to avoid such a result that the treasurer has deemed it at all proper to notice through me this effusion of malice and folly. In conclusion, I wish it to be understood that I do not desire to enter into a newspaper controversy with any one, but deem it my duty to the

respectfully submitted. Very Respectfully, yours, WM. B. POTTS.

Orwigebor, Beb. 17, 1841.

Pigs.-Pies made of the red sugar beet are said be delicious-somewhat resembling rhubarb pie in flavor, though more rich and substantial. It is seasoned with vinegar, sugar and spices to suit the palate. The root may be used without boiling, being chopped fine. Prepare the crust and bake as you would a green apple pie. Try it.

Commissioners as their legal advisor to lay these

facts before the public, to whose judgment they are