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SATURDAY MORNING, DEC. 16, 1843.

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In consequence of the change in this establishment is becomes necessary that the subscriber's business should be settled up to the 11th inst., as soon as possible, he therefore requests all those who know themselves to be indebted for subscription, printing or stationary, to call and settle the same—and all those having demands are also requested to present them or settlement forthwith.

Nov. 18, 1843. BENJ. BANNAN.

For Sale,

The type on which this paper is now printed. It will be sold cheap for cash. Some of it has only been in use two years. The type can be delivered after the first of January.

☞ We are gratified to announce to our readers, that we have now completed all our arrangements, for improving and beautifying the appearance of our paper. The Journal will make its appearance at the commencement of the ensuing volume, in an entirely new and handsome type; and we anticipate that the cause which we intend devoting to its contents, will bring to us, manifest and *palpable* increase of patronage. We hope our friends will not cease their exertions to procure extra subscribers; we shall continue to labour unceasingly for their benefit, and as our request in return is but slight, we feel confident it will be responded to.

WHIG COUNTY MEETING.—We have published in another column the proceedings of the Democratic Whig Meeting, held at Orwigsburg, on Tuesday last. The assemblage was large and enthusiastic, composed of the staunch and good men of the District and was one of the happiest indications of the vote which will be given by the county in 1844, that we have ever witnessed. The honest and intelligent yeomanry of the district were there, and it was gratifying to every pure Whig, to notice the warm enthusiasm with which every mention of the name "HENRY CLAY," was received. Mr. Neville in dwelling at some length upon the principle of protection as one of the grand points in whig policy, alluded to the sanction which that principle had received from WASHINGTON, and when with a happy effort of eloquence he pictured the mantle of the *Great* and *Good*, resting upon the shoulders of our glorious HARRY, the enthusiasm was violent. The utmost harmony prevailed throughout the meeting, which adjourned in the midst of the greatest good feeling.

SLEIGHING.—The sleighing in this vicinity continues superb—indeed, during the former part of the week, we have never seen it better. Our citizens have evinced a determination to make the most of the opportunity offered, and the result has been a continual jingling of bells and cracking of whips from morning to night, which is anything but agreeable to the auricular nerves of a quiescent editor! However, necessity makes philosophers of us all, and even we can sit calmly in our arm chair, and gaze upon such enjoyments, unshared and unsharing, with the most benevolent features imaginable. What a virtue is Philanthropy!

TERPSICHOREAN.—There is an elasticity in the disposition our mountain population which is singularly characteristic—the greater the pressure, the higher will be the rebound!——— a series of Cotillion parties have been commenced, and the first was given in beautiful style at the Town Hall on Thursday evening last. Great was the popping about of little feet—the flashing of bright eyes—the flow of wit, and the sparkle of—of—of—sentiment!!

GRAHAM'S MAGAZINE.—We have had a peep into the January number of this magazine; and we do aver that it is the most exquisite number in style, embellishment, and contents, that the enterprising publisher has ever yet issued. It contains in all five embellishments, consisting of a picture by Sartain, called "Harry,"—"The Hawking Party,"—Title page for 1844—Plate of the Fashions, and "Silverton Shakes' Adventure," which is a spirited wood cut, illustrating one of Neal's inimitable stories.

THE CONTEST.—Every information from Washington proves that the approaching struggle for the Presidency has settled down between Mr. Clay and Van Buren. All parties are convinced that the little Fox' has outwitted his compeers, and that his nomination is now certain. Calhoun's friends will withdraw him grumblingly from the strife, and he of the red vest has been laid quietly upon the shelf. We are justified in saying that the belief over the country, among men of all parties, is that Mr. Clay's election is beyond a doubt.

☞ There exists considerable excitement in the musical world of New York, in consequence of the rivalry between Ole Bull and Vieux Temps. They both had advertised a concert for the same night, but Mr. B. finally withdrew, and through courtesy yielded to his opponent. Vieux Temps it is said, although an exquisite and classical player, ranks below Ole Bull.

A correspondent of one of the Philadelphia papers, in alluding to the late Locofoco meeting, held at Orwigsburg, on Monday last, describes it as "*most harmonious.*" This way of relating occurrences, is truly laughable, and we only wish we could argue the locos into a continual exhibition of such harmony, for we have not the slightest doubt but that the meeting referred to, made at least 150 votes for the whig cause.

Our Washington correspondent in his letter of last week, whilst speaking of Thursday's proceedings in the House, said:

"Your Representative, Mr. Ramsey, ever watchful and mindful, as he now gives earnest, of the interests of those he represents, moved this morning, the printing of three thousand copies of the President's Message in the German language. The motion lies upon the table for the present"

☞ Our Brother, of the Danville Democrat has taken an extra *form*, and has consequently enlarged his *sheet*. Well! well! single or double, success to him, and may his noble doctrine of *home* protection avail him in his new capacity.

PHILADELPHIA AND READING RAIL ROAD.—The business on the Philadelphia and Reading Rail Road, for the month of November, 1843, was $54,695 50.

Schuylkill County Enterprize.

We are always gratified when it is in our power to record any new instance of the growth or improvement of our region. With feelings akin to this we shall attempt the description of a new colliery, which has been commenced by our enterprizing townsman, Mr. James G. Oliver, at Belmont, on the Schuylkill Valley Rail Road. Mr. Oliver has leased the Lewis and Spohn Viens on the tract, for a term of fifteen years, and has commenced his working by sinking a slope upon the former vein. It will be mined by means of a stationary engine, which is now completed, the first operation of which we witnessed on Wednesday last, in company with the gentlemanly proprietor. The engine, which is of fifty horse power, is from the shop of Messrs. Pomroy & Maginnis, and as far as we could judge from what we saw of its operation, is one of the finest pieces of machinery ever turned out in this region.

The veins (Lewis and Spohn) upon which Mr. Oliver has commenced his workings, rank as the first in the region, and from the evidences arrived at by proving, he is warranted in the belief that they will eventuate profitably, and without fault. The length of slope from the surface to the level of the gangway on the Lewis vein will be 120 yards—the Spohn vein is then reached by a tunnel which will extend in a northerly direction about a hundred yards, so that he will be thus enabled to draw the product of both veins with the one engine. Added to this, the distance from the colliery to Port Carbon is but about one mile, and the new rail road from Tuscarora to Mount Carbon, to connect with the Pottsville & Philadelphia Rail Road, will pass within one hundred yards from the mouth of the slope, thus affording a choice between the two facilities for transportation, and giving him advantages equal to any other colliery in the region.

Mr. Oliver himself is an energetic, untiring business man, and has our best wishes for complete success in this, his new enterprize.

☞ The past week has been court-week in Orwigsburg, and a great deal of interest has been manifested by our citizens in the contested election case which is now up for trial. We gave our readers a history of this prosecution some time ago, and will again repeat, that there has not been a single effort made to prove any illegal voting, but that the whole ground of trial rests upon the allegation that a poll was kept open after the hour prescribed by law. Now, apart from the difficulty of establishing a standard of time which is almost insurmountable in this Borough, we have the opinion of one learned in the law, who says that the act of keeping open the polls beyond the usual time *will not* vitiate the box, and in its worst light cannot be considered as anything but a misdemeanor on the part of the officers.

☞ Our Washington correspondent in his letter of last week, which arrived too late for publication, whilst remarking upon the difficulties growing out of the 21st Rule, has the following sensible argument:

"How surprising it is that the good sense of southern, western, and some few *northern* members, does not discover to them the undeniable, and to my mind, glaring fact, that the only legitimate operation of this rule is to continue and promote, ay! fan the flame of abolitionism. Repeal this standing rule, and, as Mr. Adams has often times asserted on the floor of the House, abolition petitioners will cease to knock at its doors. It is the *guaranteed right of petition* that now impels them onward; and *laus deo* that the country has such a man in the popular branch of the National Legislature as John Quincy Adams, who is bold enough, strong enough, persevering enough, sincere enough, and patriotic enough, to stand in the breach, knowing the rights of the people, and daring to maintain them."

DROWNED.—We regret announcing that a fine and promising young son of Mr. David G Yuengling, lost his life by drowning, on Wednesday last Schuylkill Haven. He was playing at the time upon the ice, when it gave way and he was precipitated into the water.

THE WEATHER.—We have had freezing weather for the few days past. On Thursday morning the thermometer stood at 2 degrees below zero, and on Friday morning 26 degrees above zero.

NEWSPAPER LAW.—In case of a suit for fraud, the Georgia courts have decided that refusing to take a newspaper from the office, or going away and leaving it uncalled for, until all arrearages are paid, is prima facie evidence of intentional fraud.

NEW COUNTERFEITS.—For the information of the citizens of this quarter, we publish the following list of new counterfeit notes, recently issued:

Doylestown Bank.—Altered notes, purporting to be of the Doylestown Bank for $20, but altered from those of the Tenth Ward Bank of New York. 20's may be detected by the vignette, a blacksmith at his forge; does not resemble the true bill.

Farmer's Bank, Mount Holly, N. J.—5's, 10's and 20's, spurious. Vignette, a female, Durand & Co. engravers. Altered from Farmers' Bank, Seneca co. New York, broken bank, do not resemble the genuine bills in the least.

Greenwich Bank, New York—5's and 10's altered from 1's. May be detected by the vignette head of Lafayette.

Tradesman's Bank, New York—10's altered from 1's, well done, and can only be detected by those who are acquainted with the original plates. There are two vignette's on the altered notes.

THE CANAL.—We learn that the Board of Directors of the Schuylkill Navigation Co., have passed a resolution for the enlarging and deepening of the Canal. The resolution will be submitted to the stockholders at their meeting in January next for their ratification, when, if it is approved of, the enlargment will be made.

A NICE TOY.—Among other pretty toys in Bonfanti's store, Broadway, New York, one is spoken of as being rather a pretty affair—the price being *one thousand dollars!* It is in the form of a snuff box, which is made of fine gold, out of which, when it is wound up, jumps a small canary bird, that sings a waltz and disappears. It is an ingenious affair. All the wheels run on diamonds.

A RELIC OF THE PEGASUS.—The Journal des Debats states, that a few days since a bottle was found on the coast of Holland, containing a slip of paper, on which was written "Pegasus steamer, to Feru Islands, night of July 19, 1843. In great distress; struck upon hidden rocks. On board 55 passengers, vessel must go down, and no Grace Darling." [In giving the two last words they translated the first (Grace) "safety" (salut!) not aware that they referred to the intrepid girl now unhappily defunct.]

CENTRAL CLAY CLUB.—An enthusiastic meeting of the Central Clay Club was held at their room on Thursday evening last, Mr. Nichols, the President upon taking the chair, made a very forcible address in reply to some arguments adverse to distribution—Messrs. Neville, Leyburn and Clement were then severally called upon to address the association, which they did in an eloquent and patriotic manner.

NEW CASS PAPER.—The New York Standard, under the control of John I. Mumford, Esq., it is said, will be revived in favor of Gen. Cass.

Congressional.

We give below a short summary of the proceedings of Congress and as our readers will perceive, nothing of very great importance has yet been transacted. We have been provokingly unfortunate in regard to our Washington Correspondence, and are forced to again excuse ourselves to our readers for non-appearance. Last week the letter did not arrive until after the publication of the paper, and this week, through the negligence of some person, the Pottsville mail was left at Reading and the Reading mail brought here.

Monday December 11th.—In the Senate little was done beyond the election of their officers; all of whom were re-elected without difficulty, except a single assistant door keeper.

In the House.—Mr. Barnard's motion to amend the Journal, came up and after a long debate, in which a number of members participated, the question was taken, and the majority decided that both the protest and Mr. Barnard's resolution should be stricken from the Journal.

Tuesday, December 12.—In the Senate the Rev. Mr. Tuston, who was elected chaplain the day before, opened the proceedings in due form.

Mr. Benton offered a resolution in honour of his deceased colleague, Mr. Levin, who died on the 3d of October last.

The Senate voted unanimously the customary honors to his memory, and then adjourned.

In the other House, after a renewal, upon the reading of the Journal of Monday's battle about the Protest and the proceedings springing from it, so as to revive the subject from the effort which was made to extinguish it, Mr. Bowlin, of Missouri, upon a message from the Senate communicating their proceedings there, moved like ones in honor of Dr. Linn, and pronounced upon him an eulogy, after which the House adjourned.

YOUNG MEN'S CLAY CLUB.

A number of Young Men, pursuant to notice, met at the house of Daniel Hill, on Friday evening, December 8th, for the purpose of forming a Young Men's Clay Club. The meeting was organized by appointing WELLINGTON KLINE, Chairman, and *Franklin Kaercher*, Secretary.

The object of the meeting was then stated by Mr. Francis M. Wynkoop, in a short and pithy address, when, on motion, a committee of five persons, consisting of F. M. Wynkoop, Alphoso Mardonald, Charles Henderson, Valentine K Mills, and Edward Sillyman, was appointed to draft a Constitution for the government of the Club, who, after retiring for a short time reported a Constitution, which was unanimously adopted.

On motion, the meeting adjourned to meet on Tuesday evening, Dec. 12th, at the house of Daniel Hill.

In accordance with the above motion, an adjourned meeting was held at the same place, on Tuesday evening.

On motion, the Club went into an election for permanent officers of the association, when the following persons, receiving a majority of votes, were declared duly elected:

President,
FRANCIS M. WYNKOOP.

Vice Presidents,
WELLINGTON KLINE, ALEXANDER SILLYMAN,
JOHN B. REED, JAMES JOHNSON,
WILLIAM HILL, GEORGE LEE.

Recording Secretary, *Franklin Kaercher.*
Corresponding Secretary, *Edward Sillyman.*
Treasurer, *Alphonso Macdonald.*

Executive Committee,
John H. Hanley, Charles Henderson,
William Sillyman, Valentine K. Mills,
James Nagle.

On motion, it was Resolved, That the proceedings of the Young Men's Clay Club be published in the Miners' Journal.

On motion, The Club adjourned.

WELLINGTON KLINE, Chairman.
FRANKLIN KAERCHER, Sec'y.

NEAL'S LAND LAMP.—We find the following evidence of the valuable economy which those lamps contribute to, in the Farmer's Cabinet, published in Philadelphia. The evidence is direct and conclusive. The lamp has been introduced in this neighborhood, and is now used by many of our citizens, who all concur in esteeming it a great saving. Immediately following the extract, we give the evidence of one of our most respectable citizens, by which it will be seen that the saving is nearly two thirds of the usual cost, whilst at the same time the light afforded is clearer and better:

TO THE EDITOR OF THE CABINET.—Dear sir, at your request, I send you the result of my experience in the use of Neal's Patent Lard-candle lamp. My acquaintance with the inventor extends no further than seeing his name upon the lamp in question, and my sole object in making this communication is that the public may know the advantages to be derived from its use. By actual experiment, I have ascertained that the cost of an equal amount of light, is about one-third that of good sperm oil, while, with a flame of the same size, a stronger and purer light is emitted. The little trouble experienced in filling these lamps—the lard being put in cold—and keeping them in order for burning, is another advantage they possess, even over oil lamps, and especially over those lamps which require the lard to be first melted.—A great objection to the ordinary lard lamps is, the difficulty experienced in getting them to burn well when first lighted; these lamps, however, burn with a clear and bright flame from the first. In burning it as a night lamp, my plan is, to use but one wick, cutting it off pretty close to the tube, and pressing down the piston or follower, until the cup at the top of the lamp is filled with lard; in this way it will burn eight or ten hours, without further attention.

Respectfully, E. W. MUMFORD.

Camden, N. J. June 29th, 1843.

MR. BANNAN:—I have tried the Lard Lamp I bought from you one week a go, and I am fully satisfied that I had much better and pleasanter light since I have used the Lamp, and also have had much less trouble in keeping a regular light. Now I will let you see the difference in the expence for the one week. I went to the Butchers and bought one pound of Lard, and paid 10 cts for it, and have always heretofore not used less then 2 lbs., of candles per week at 12½ cts. per lb., that leaves a balance in my favour of saving for one week only of 15 cts.

I am dr. sir, yours &c.
DANIEL H. LEID.

Dec. 6th, 1843.

DISTRESSING ACCIDENT.—We learn from the Madison, Geo., Miscellany, that recently, while Mr. Lane of that county, accompanied by his mother in law and two children, were conveying to the burial place the corpses of his infant twins, an accident occurred by which he had one of his legs crushed and mangled from the knee downward, his mother in law killed, and his two children more or less injured. The accident was caused from the horse which drew the vehicle, in which they were in, taking fright, and from the impossibility of Mr. Lane's controlling the animal.

LET IT BE KNOWN.—In the grave-yard at Winchester, Va., says a Southern paper, the traveller will find a grave overgrown with grass, without a stone or an inscription to preserve the ashes of its inhabitant from insult. Within this grave repose the remains of the brave General Morgan, whose name ranks in the annals of the Revolution, second only to that of Washington.

All sorts of Items.

(Original and Selected.)

☞ The United States Gazette appears to us this week beautified and improved, with complete new type. We forgot to mention in our last, that—the Philadelphia Inquirer had also put on a renewed appearance.

"Why is a newspaper like a tooth brush? Because everybody should have one of his own and not borrow his neighbor's.

COLD WEATHER.—The thermometer in Boston, on Wednesday, was at sixteen degrees, below zero. In Quebec, on the 30th ult., two degrees below zero.

A little girl, daughter of Mr. Lamar, of Maysville, Ky., was choked to death last week in attempting to swallow a chesnut.

VERDICT OF MURDER.—Clark, the murderer of Sells, has been declared guilty of murder in the first degree, by a jury in Columbus, Ohio.

The Kennebec River was closed by ice at Hallowell on the 29th.

The Madisonian announces that Mrs. Robert Tyler, the presiding lady at the White House, will receive her friends on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday evenings during the winter.

The U. S. brig Boxer, Lt. Com'g Bullus, from the West Indies, and last from Matanzas, arrived in Hampton Roads on Friday evening.

A disturbance occurred among a number of the firemen of Baltimore, on Saturday night about 12 o'clock.

Judge Henderson, a venerable citizen of Cincinnati, was seized with an apoplectic fit on Wednesday last, and expired in a few hours.

The editorial office of the New York Evening Post was broken into and robbed on Sunday night.

A meeting is called in Cincinnati, with a view of petitioning Congress on the subject of Postage.

The Abolition vote in Ohio in 1842 amounted to 5523; in 1843, to 7488—being an increase in one year of 2057.

The Journeyman Coopers of New York recently presented their employers with a bill of prices, which were so entirely reasonable, that it was accepted at once.

The Roman Catholics have purchased a lot of ground in the town of Springfield, Mass. on which they contemplate the erection of a spacious edifice the ensuing season.

A negro named John Hall recently attempted to poison the family of Mr. William Abbot, in Philadelphia.

The grist mill of Mr. Zebina Stebbins, in the east part of Deerfield, Mass. with about 100 bushels of grain, was destroyed by fire on Tuesday morning last.

The Albany Journal of the 8th inst. says:—"We announce with unaffected regret, the death of our friend and fellow citizen, Horace B. Webster, Esq."

OUTRAGE IN A CHURCH.—At Allentown, Pa. lately, a father going to Church to get his daughter out of it, a scuffle ensued, the preacher was knocked down and several ladies struck.

The navigation of the Hudson River is obstructed by ice as far down as Hudson.

A WRECK.—We learn from the Commercial Advertiser that the ship Birmingham, bound to Mobile, struck, on the 16th ult., on Ellson's Reef, near Harbor Island, (one of the Bahamas,) and went to pieces in six hours. Soon after she struck, the boats were washed overboard, and as the boats from the shore could not reach the wreck on account of the surf, the captain and his crew (nineteen in all) had to swim for it. As they floated inside the reef, they were picked up, and all except three reached the shore in safety.

BRITISH NAVAL MOVEMENT.—The Halifax Post of the 28th of November, states that Vice Admiral Sir Charles Adams departed from the port with a fleet on the 26th, for Mexico, and remarks that the business the fleet is concerned in is of deep importance. Some old difficulties are alluded to, as well as the more recent contempt shown to the British flag at a party where the British Minister was present; and what is probably more grievous than all the rest, the restriction tariff of Santa Anna proves injurious to British trade.

A CHANCE FOR SOMEBODY.—A country editor advertises for a manufacturer of Original Anecdotes of Washington, Incidents of the Revolution, Tales of Deep and Thrilling Interest, Fourth of July Orations, Patriotic Poems, and First Rate Dunning Articles for the benefit of delinquent subscribers. To any person, capable of doing up a satisfactory run of business in this line, he offers board and clothes, privilege to spark his eldest daughter, (only 38 years of age) and a glass of cider twice a week.—*Albany Citizen.*

CONSCIENCE.—Shakespeare says 'conscience doth make cowards of us all.' It seems rather in these days of improvement that conscience is making all honest, and that is to make them bold.—Yesterday the executors of the will of the late Mrs. Elizabeth Lee, received a letter through the Post Office containing 'one hundred and five dollars,' with the following brief intimation of the reason of the remittance:

"From one who kept it wrongly in former times."

The writing is evidently in a disguised hand, and the person who received it has no knowledge of the source whence the letter came. The same gentleman a short time since received a similar letter addressed to him, and on his own account, containing 'fifteen dollars'—*United States Gazette.*

ANECDOTE.—The 'soldier' editor of the N. Y. Aurora says, two old 'tars' one stood very intently observing a regiment at full drill upon the garrison parade, at some distance from their own position. The instructor for an unusual length of time had been practising the regiment in 'marking time;' at last one of the tars, unable to make head or tail out of what was going on, cried out to his companion—'I say, Jack, what strong tide must be out there; them poor fellows have been pulling away this half hour, and ain't got ahead an inch!'

The Governor of Maryland has offered a reward of five hundred dollars, for the apprehension and surrender to the Sheriff of Montgomery county, of the villains who murdered a woman near Middlebrook, in said county, in October last.

DEMANDED.—The Governor of the state of New York has demanded the person of Jones, at present confined in the parish prison in this city, who is charged with having committed a murder in the city of New York. The officer commissioned to take charge of Jones was to have sailed from New York for this port on the 18th inst.—*N. O. Bee, 29th ult.*

EXTRAORDINARY PASSAGE.—The Packet ship Shakspeare, belonging to the line of Mrs. E. K. Collins, & Co., made the passage hence to New Orleans, from city to city, in nine days. Such a passage at this season may well establish the character of this noble vessel as one of the fleetest out of this port.

William Wyman, late President of the Phœnix Bank, in Massachusetts, on trial at Lowell for embezzling the funds of the institution, was found guilty, but on a bill of exceptions the case has been carried up. Meantime he is held to bail in the sum of sixty thousand dollars.

DEMOCRATIC REPUBLICAN WHIG COUNTY MEETING.

At a meeting of the Democratic Republicans of Schuylkill county convened at Orwigsburg on Tuesday the 12th of December, 1843, the following gentlemen were called upon as officers,

Chairman.
JOHN BANNAN, Esq., of Orwigsburg.

Vice Presidents.
CHARLES LAWTON, SEN., Capt. A. REINHARD.
JAMES SILLYMAN, WILLIAM RILAND,

Secretaries.
Robert Woodside, A. W. Leyburn, Esq.

On motion of F. M. Wynkoop the following resolution was adopted.

Resolved, That the chair appoint a committee of nine persons to draft resolutions expressive of the sense of the meeting, with power to select three conferees from among those nominated to the meeting for the purpose of meeting the conferees from Lebanon and Dauphin counties, and with power also to nominate to the meeting three Delegates to the gubernatorial convention of the 4th of March.

The Chairman then appointed F. M. Wynkoop, Martin Weaver, Firman Burden, Abraham Pott, James H. Graeff, Wm. Potts, Lawrence F. Whitney, John J. Jones, and John W. Heffner, as the committee.

In the absence of the committee, John C. Neville, Esq., was called upon to address the meeting, who responded in a thrilling and eloquent speech.

The committee having conferred together, returned, and reported the following preamble and resolutions, which were severally adopted:

WHEREAS, in strict pursuance of our rights as Free and independent American citizens, and with a full consciousness of the national evils which weigh us down as a people and require remedying we have met here together to-day. *And whereas*, it is our firm and unwavering belief that these evils are the result of mal-government arising from the want of a just and proper head not only to our national but to our state affairs, and whereas the fact is made manifest in the shameless prostitution of those great political ends intended by the framers of our Constitution—in the profligacy of public officers—the wholesale increase of State debts, and the disgrace of impending *repudiation*—Therefore,

Resolved, That we turn on our first refuge from this precipice of national destruction, to one who has never failed his country in her hour of danger or distress—HENRY CLAY of Kentucky, with a full and firm reliance in his commanding intellect—his unswerving patriotism and above all, his high unsullied integrity. That we, influenced by a sincere desire to secure to our country those blessings, which of right, belong to her, will support the *Farmer of Ashland* for the Presidency in 1844, against whomsoever our political antagonists may choose to marshal against him, conscious of that triumph which the awakened sense of an honest community is already heralding.

Resolved, That in pursuance of our hearty and single desire, to secure to Henry Clay the unanimous vote of the National Convention, and in obedience to the expressed object contained in the call to this meeting, we recommend to this meeting *Peter Filbert* of Pinegrove, *Jno. W. Roseberry* of Orwigsburg, and *Daniel Lawer* of Pottsville, as three fit persons to meet the conferees from Lebanon and Dauphin, for the purpose of nominating one Congressional Delegate to the National Convention.

Resolved, That we look upon the present situation of our state—her increased and increasing debt—the non-payment of interest—the strong appropriation of taxes, and her threatened and approaching insolvency, with feelings of injured pride and strong indignation; and that we recognize as the great and moving cause of all those evils an unwise and corrupt Government, surrounded by a host of mercenary and corrupt officers.

Resolved, That for the purpose of fully and completely effecting that reform which the situation of the state loudly calls for, we herewith recommend to the State Convention the name of THOMAS T. MCKENNAN, of Washington county as our first choice for Governor, because we have seen him sufficiently tried and know well the material of which he is composed. His unflinching adherence to high principle—his fearless struggle for the Tariff Bill amid the noise and confusion of the National Forum, where no other voice but his could have penetrated the tumult and calmed the babel, and his modest attempt to put aside the honor which the grateful people of the state are endeavoring to confer upon him, have endeared him to our hearts and prove to us that he is the proper man to whom the shattered bark of state could be safely entrusted, in this, her present crisis.

Resolved, That we recommend Capt. Israel Reinhart of Pinegrove, Jacob Hammer of Oawigsburg, and John C. Neville, Esquires, to this meeting as fit persons to represent Schuylkill county in the State Gubernatorial convention, to be holden in Harrisburg on the Fourth of March next, with power to appoint substitutes in case either cannot attend.

Resolved, That we recommend to the conferees from the several counties of Dauphin, Lebanon and Schuylkill, that they shall meet on the day of January, A. D. 1844, at Jonestown, Lebanon county.

Resolved, That we approve of the sound principle of a Protective tariff, that as it is the offspring of the great father of our common country, GEORGE WASHINGTON, it needs no higher commendation, no better recommendation to the people. That his mantle in this as in other respects has fallen upon Henry Clay. That we consider this principle as the basis of our national prosperity, and we urge our Representatives in Congress in every emergency to adhere to and protect it.

Resolved, That a sound national currency is essential to our commercial, agricultural, and manufacturing prosperity. That the constitutional power of Congress to create it has been well ascertained. It has had the deliberate sanction of WASHINGTON. We therefore anxiously look forward to the time when all branches of our government will faithfully fulfil the wishes of the nation in the production of this result.

Resolved, That the people behold with consternation the tyrannical abuse of the veto power during the two last sessions of Congress, as well as on a former memorable occasion. By retaining the same in our constitution, the commonwealth is not safe from the usurpation of dictatorial power, we therefore think right to recommend its limitation.

Resolved, That as an accessary to the preservation of our liberties—in securing us from the intrigue and management of Presidents in their endeavors to procure their second elevation to that dignity—as conducive to our peace, welfare, and prosperity, and as the best means of preventing a recurrence of this evil, which might, in the course of human events, bring disgrace upon us as a nation, we therefore earnestly urge the restriction of the Presidential incumbrancy to ONE term.

Resolved, That we earnestly recommend to our friends throughout the county, the immediate formation of Clay Clubs, auxiliary to the Central Clay Club, as a course necessary to secure a full vote in this district for the Statesman of the West.

Resolved, That the proceedings of this meeting be signed by the officers, and published in all the papers in the county.

(Signed by the Officers.)

The river Schuylkill was frozen over at Philadelphia on Wednesday.

TRULY ELOQUENT.—Washingtonianism has given birth to as brilliant specimens of true eloquence, as heart could desire. Witness the following touching appeal to the young, made by an aged man, at a recent temperance jubilee at New Market:

"I have come, he continued, 12 miles to attend this meeting—yet I do not value my time—I feel rewarded by what I see around me. My friends, I have seen more of the world than most of you. I have trod the streets of proud old London; and the winds of distant India have fanned these furrowed cheeks of mine. My keel has been upon every sea, and my name upon many a tongue. Heaven blessed me with one of the best of wives, and children, oh, why should I speak of them!—My home was once a paradise. But I bowed, like a brute, to the killing cup—my eldest son tore himself away from his degraded father, and has never returned. My young heart's idol, my beloved and suffering wife, has gone broken hearted to her grave. And my lovely daughter, whose image I seem to see in the beautiful around me—once my pride and my hope—pined away in sorrow and mourning because her father was a drunkard and now sleeps by her mother's side. But I still live to tell the history of my shame, and the ruin of my family—I still live—and stand here before you to offer up my heart's fervent gratitude to my heavenly Father, that I have been snatched from the brink of the drunkard's grave. I live to be a sober man. And while I live, I shall struggle to restore my wandering brethren again to the bosom of society. This form of mine is wasting and bending under the weight of years. But my young friends, you are just blooming into life; the place of your fathers and mothers will be soon vacant. See that you come up to fill them with pure hearts and anointed lips! Bind the blessed pledge firmly to your hearts; and be it the Shibboleth of life's warfare!"

FRANCIS XAVIER MARTIN.—Passing down Royal street, a day or two ago, we met a small, infirm old man. There was but little flesh on his bones, and no sight in his eyes; his hair was short and grey, and his cheeks were hollow. He wore a threadbare surtout, and an old, shapeless hat, which covered almost half his shrivelled face. He was led along by a lazy-looking, ragged negro boy, on whose shoulder his hand rested—the boy thus answering the double purpose of a guide and a support.

'Who is that person passing? said a stranger, who stood at the entrance to the reading room, speaking to a resident citizen.

'That,' said the latter, 'is Francis Xavier Martin, who is now, and has been for more than a quarter of a century the presiding Judge of the Supreme Court of the state. Though tottering, as he seems to be on the brink of the grave, he is still a close attendant on his judicial duties; though broken down in body he is unimpaired in mind. Some of his physical functions—his sight, for instance—have failed him; but his mental qualities are perfect and unbroken, and his opinions are even now looked up to, not only by his associates on the bench, but by the whole Louisiana bar, as models of sound legal doctrines and wise jurisprudence; and shabby as he looks, leaning on the shoulder of that negro boy, he is said to be a millionaire in the way of wealth.' Such is Francis Xavier Martin, President of the Supreme Court of Louisiana, and historian of the state. That he should attract the notice of a stranger who should see him passing to or from Court, is not a matter of surprise—for few more singular looking men are to be met in the streets of this great city than Judge Martin of the Supreme Court.—*N. O. Picayune.*

THRILLING!!—The following is an extract from an oration by a gentleman in the state of Missouri, delivered in the meeting-house on some 4th of July—

'Fellow-citizens: Shouts of victory come up through the neighboring mashes—the cry of freedom defends the voice of nature and makes it scream aloud for joy. On this exceedingly glorious occasion I have not got enough words to express the sentiments of my mind—when I think of the great doings of our posteriors, how they licked the British, and my father was in the army, and I was not born, and my mother wan't courted yet, and the country was freed from British slavery by the glorious arms of Sam Patch and Bod Tyler. On this day I call upon you to gird on your swords and beat your spears into plough-shares and cry out and spare not. On this day let the cannons roar aloud—let the flags be waffed on high—let the gleaming of your swords flash in the rays of the sun. Let the shouts of freedom rend the air—let the trumpet send forth its blasting strains—and let the gentleman who borrowed my umbrella bring it back again a little sooner than quick."

"From the experience of former times,' says Sir James Mackintosh, 'I will venture to predict that no man will ever obtain lasting fame in learning who is not enlightened by the knowledge and enspired by the genius of those who have gone before him."

IMPORTENT ADVICE.—The N. H. Telegraph says;—A gentleman who has occasion to walk with two ladies and one umbrella, should always go in the middle himself—that secures a dry coat to himself, and is showing no partiality to either of the ladies."

Willis says, 'We love women a little for what we do know of them, and a great deal more for what we do not.

Again; 'Flirtation is a circulating library, in which we seldom ask twice for the same volume.

The New York Ætna Insurance Company loses by the defalcation of its Secretary, Mr. Lott, between twenty and thirty thousand dollars. The fraud was carried on for years, and concealed under the cover of false entries.

JOKING WITH A WITNESS.—The witness spoke in so low a tone of voice that the counsel inquired if she was married?

Witness: Oh, dear, yes sir!

Counsel: Then I wish you would speak as loud as you generally do to your husband.

A quaint writer of sentences in the Galaxy, says—"I have seen women so delicate, that they were afraid to ride, for fear the horse might run away—afraid to sail for fear the boat might overset—afraid to walk for fear the dew might fall; but I never saw one afraid to be married!"

DIVING BELL.—The brig Vermillion, Captain Bacon, which cleared from Baltimore on Saturday for Venezuela, has on board a Diving Bell, made at the foundry of Mr. Watchman, of that city. It is to be used on the Spanish Main in seeking for treasure.

WHO CAN MISTAKE A WIG, however artfully prepared, for the natural and living growth of the head.—There is a dull, dead look, an artificial stiffness about the counterfeit which forbids its being mistaken for the genuine article. And yet in nineteen cases out of twenty, for one tenth of the money that a wig costs, the bald scalp may be made to bring forth its own covering, instead of being beholden to any thatcher sculls for a second hand adornment. The vernal showers are not more conducive to vegetation, than is Jayne's Hair Tonic, to the growth of the hair. If sickness or sorrow, or any other cause has shorn your brow of its clustering curls, and thinned the once redundant side locks which burst in such luxuriance from beneath your fashionable beaver.—JAYNE'S HAIR TONIC will give life and vigor to the roots which still remain, and in an incredibly short space of time, restore your "Hyperion Curls" in all their pristine beauty. Those who have been for years unsuccessfully endeavoring to cultivate whiskers and moustaches, will find this preparation the true *Elixir Vitæ.*

For sale by Eicholtz & Sanderson, Pottsville, Agents for the proprietor.

Dec. 16. 51—

Opinion of the press.

[From the Cincinnati Daily Times of May 20th, 1843.]

"WISTAR'S BALSAM OF WILD CHERRY.—We should judge from Messrs. Weagly & Knepper's letter, published this day among our advertisements, that this popular remedy for Coughs Lung complaints, and diseases of the breast generally, was really a valuable medicine, and worthy of serious attention from the public. We are informed by the wholesale agents that they are almost daily receiving similar letters from all parts of the West.

We would advise our readers who are laboring under an affection of the Lungs, to make immediate trial of this truly excellent medicine. The most intelligent and respectable families of our city have adopted it as a favorite family medicine; and persons predisposed to consumption who have used it, speak in the highest terms of its efficacy."

Scores of individuals have been cured of Asthma, the early stages, of Consumption, Bleeding of the Lungs, obstinate Coughs, &c., by this Balsam, after hope had well nigh yielded to despair. We say this in all candor.

Sold in Pottsville by JOHN S. C. MARTIN.
In Reading, by SARAH MORRIS.
December 16. 51—

THE COAL TRADE.

By Canal		447,267
BY RAIL ROAD.		
Prom Pottsville	1,439	
" Schuylkill Haven	943	
	2,175	
Per last Report	221,670	
		223,845
Total		671,112

Lehigh Coal Trade.

Despatched from Mauch Chunk for the week ending 13th Month, 9th, 1843.

	Boats	Tons
Lehigh Coal & Navigation Co	6	346
Beaver Meadow R R & Coal Co	3	176
FROM PENN HAVEN.		
Hazleton Coal Co	0	0
Sugarloaf Coal Co	0	0
FROM ROCKPORT.		
Buck Mountain Coal Co	0	0
	9	522
TOTAL SHIPMENTS.		
FROM MAUCH CHUNK.		
Lehigh Coal & Navigation Co	2546	138768
Beaver Meadow R R & Coal Co	1121	54923
FROM PENN HAVEN.		
Hazleton Coal Co	1059	44579
Sugarloaf Coal Co	465	26814
FROM ROCKPORT.		
Buck Mountain Coal Co.	49	2844
	5240	267,734

Our Market.

CORRECTED WEEKLY. POTTSVILLE Dec. 16, 18

Wheat Flour, pr Bbl	$4,50	Bacon,	per lb		
Rye do	cwt.	1,62	Pork,	"	