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The Country demands its restoration.

For President,
General ZACHARY TAYLOR;
Subject to the Decision of the Whig National Convention.

ENLARGEMENT OF THE JOURNAL.

At the commencement of our new volume in January next, it is our intention to enlarge the dimensions of the Miners' Journal, and introduce various other alterations and improvements, with the view of increasing our space for news-matter, and affording additional facilities for our increasing advertising patronage.

We shall arrange the enlargement in such manner as to preserve the present shape of the paper, and introduce three or four columns of additional space. We will thus furnish *more* matter, than is provided by many of the mammoth publications of the more populous towns, and have none of their *uncomfortableness* of shape.

Our arrangements for furnishing the latest intelligence are ample and complete. The Magnetic Telegraph connecting this place with all the leading Cities in the Union, enables us to procure important news to the very latest moment. This is of course a very heavy expense to us, and we may add that this is the only Journal in this section of the State, that has engaged its services. The markets of New York, Philadelphia, &c., are reported to within a few hours of our going to press, thus placing us considerably in advance of the regular publications of the cities.

The character of the newspaper is, as a general thing, a certain index to the character of the people supporting it. Like a minister representing our Government at a foreign court, the people are wont to estimate our character from the conduct and appearance of our representative. A newspaper abroad is regarded as the representative of the people supporting it.

The Miners' *Journal* has a very large circulation among the heavy capitalists of the larger cities, and is looked upon as the immediate representative of the interests of this region. *Now*, to render this representative worthy of the position, is our object and should be every citizens pride—for in proportion as the appearance and respectability of a journal is maintained abroad, is the character of the people for intelligence, and substantial integrity established.

☞ *The views of our correspondent* "Horace," are certainly correct; but so much has already been said on the subject, that we cannot think the publication of his letter would add anything to the interest of our columns at this time.

We are requested to call attention to the valuable property advertised in our columns to-day, by the Executors of the late Col. Krebs. It is eligibly situated on the Orwigsburg and Pottsville road, and is well worthy the attention of capitalists.

☞ *We are under obligations* to J. B. Chandler, Esq. of the North American, for a copy of Mr. Clay's speech, in advance of the mail. The speech was issued from that establishment, from the authorized copy of Mr. Clay, several hours in advance of its contemporaries.

☞ *Erratum.*—There are several errors in the communication of our correspondent X. Y. In the 19th line from the signature, instead of "defensive"—read diffusive. In the 11th line from bottom, instead of "his," read *him*, &c. There are several typographical errors, which the reader will have to forego.

☞ *Clerk of the House.*—The Whigs having secured a clear majority in the lower house of Congress, the election of a competent Clerk is exciting attention. We have before expressed a preference for Mr. Nathan Sargeant, of Philadelphia, and we perceive that his claims are warmly urged in opposition to those of B. B. French, who will, it is presumed, be the caucus candidate of the locofocos.

☞ *Mr. Clay's Speech.*—The speech of Mr. Clay was received on Tuesday last. We have read it with the most profound admiration, and are prepared to fully endorse every sentiment and position assumed. It is calm, dignified, and searching, and there is not a syllable in the whole paper, that is not strictly true, just, and honorable. We laid it before the public in an extra, and should have transferred it to our columns, if our limits permitted, though the resolutions published in our last, embrace the main principles of the speech.

☞ *Death of Volunteers.*—Israel and Henry Kaercher, of this county, and members of the Reading Artillerists, died in June last, at Perote, Mexico.

Kennedy Cochran—The death of this young gentleman, in Mexico, is announced by Col. Wynkoop in a letter to Mr. J. G. Cochran, of this place—a brother of the deceased.

We also notice the death of Mr. James Shaw, a young printer, and an examplary man, who belonged to the Cameron Guards. He was in several battles, and sustained severe wounds, which, no doubt, hastened his death.

☞ *Manufacture of Gas.*—The hotel keepers of several of the most prominent cities and towns are availing themselves of the recent discovery of an ingenius mechanic, for manufacturing gas to light their own premises. The cost of the apparatus and the materials used for generating the gas, are, in the aggregate, less than the rates charged by the gas companies. The travelling circus exhibition of Gen. Welsh, it will be remembered, was supplied with gas-light manufactured on the spot. We think it would scarcely be amiss to introduce an apparatus somewhere in Centre street, in our borough, as the greater portion of the business stands could be supplied by it at a less cost than many of them encounter for lamp lights.

☞ *A word of Explanation.*—The *Daily News* of last Saturday did us injustice in its allusions to our course with respect to the late management of the Schuylkill Navigation. Our remarks were invariably directed with a view to the success of that company, and with the most profound respect, personally, for the late President. It was only in his *official* capacity that we felt called upon to observe his actions, and this we did in the most respectful terms. It was not until he, himself, in reply to our plain, matter-of-fact statements, became grossly personal in his remarks, and denied our statements *in toto*, that we felt called upon to set him right, and we did this as gently as the circumstances seemed to allow, as the *News* editor may discover upon referring to our articles.

On the 13th inst. we noticed the resignation of Mr. T. Firth, from the managemet of the company, and casually remarked, "that the *live* members of the Board were now in the ascendant." The *News* objects to this term as disrespectful to that venerable and esteemed gentlemen—but we must repudiate any such thought or intent. It is a term well-known and in universal use in the sense we applied it, and could not have been applied to him with more propriety than to another, under similar circumstances.

Second Pa. Regiment.—Capt. Loeser of the Reading Artillerists, has been chosen Lieut. Colonel of the second Pennsylvania regiment now in Mexico.

EDITOR'S TABLE.

The Opal for 1848.—In point of *Embellishment* this is unquestionably the finest gift-book ever put forth in this country. The engravings are far superior to those usually found in the Magazines, and to which we have become so accustomed, that it is perfectly refreshing to occasionally meet with something really good.

The literary contents, we may say from a cursary perusal, are of the very highest character. It is edited by Mrs. Sarah Jane Hale, and contributions appear from the pens of H. W. Longfellow; Rt. Rev. Alonzo Potter, D. D.; Park Benjamin; Rev. J. P. Durbin, D. D.; H. T. Tuckerman; Mrs. Francis S. Osgood; N. P. Willis; T. B. Read; Gen. G. P. Moreis; J. Byard Taylor; Mrs. Juliet H. L. Campbell, of our Borough; and some twelve or fifteen others.

We inadvertantly attributed to Mrs. Campbell the authorship of a poem in Graham last week. She did not write it.

The Indian in his Wigwam.—This is the title of a book of 400 pages, handsomely illustrated with engravings on wood, by Henry G. Schoolcraft, Esq., for many years a Government agent among the Indians. The book is made up of Sketches of the Indian race of America—their characteristics, language, government, manner of life, &c.,—and the peculiar facilities the writer has had of observing them, during his long official sojourn among them, has enabled him to give a deep and truthful coloring, which cannot but render their perusal interesting to the reader. For sale at Bannan's Bookstores.

The Mammoth Christmas Pictorial Brother Jonathan, published by Wilson & Co., New York, has come to hand. It is printed on an immense sheet of paper five and a half feet long, by near four feet wide, and contains just seventy engravings—some of them very large and beautiful—on subjects appropriate for the Christmas and New Year's holidays. The price is 12½ cents per copy, or ten for one dollar. To be had at Bannan's.

Henry the Fourth—The life of King Henry the IV. of France, by G. P. R. James, is now complete in four parts, at 50 cts. each. It is gotten up in the usual fine style by the Harpers, and will form a valuable Library-book. For sale at Bannan's.

Josephus.—The Messrs. Harpers are now issuing in numbers, handsomely illustated and elegantly printed, at 25 cts. each, the works of this great historian, with editorial notes by Rev. R. Traill, D. D. and critical Essays by Rev. Isaac Taylor, &c. &c.

Elements of Geology.—A new edition of Dr. Rushenberger's book on Geology, has just been issued, illustrated with three hundred engravings, at the low price of 50 cts. It is a valuable book, and should be extensively introduced in Schools, as well as to private learners.

The French Cook—This is an invaluable little book—containing full directions for the most celebrated and delicious dishes of French and American Cookery, &c. It should be placed in the hands of every housewife. Price 25 cts—182 pp. pages.

The Wilfulness of Women.—This is one of the most interesting novels lately issued.

The Manœuverings of a Mother.—By the same author, is full of interest and truthfulness. They are both well written, and will find ready sale. Price 25 cts. each.

The Daily News has experienced a change of proprietors—Mr. Evans withdrawing, and J. P. Sanderson and J. W. Killinger, Esqrs. succeeding him. Mr. Paxson still remains. The *News* is one of the best penny-papers in the country, and the public will lose nothing by the change.

Scott's Weekly Paper.—The proprietor of this paper has issued a splendid Pictorial Double Sheet for the holidays—price, 6¼ cts.

The Old Commodore—This is a well drawn work of nautical life, by E. Howard, Esq. author of the Buccaneer, &c. 25 cts.

James' last Novel, the Convict, has just been issued by the Harpers. It is one of his best productions—price 25 cts.

The Lancaster County Farmer, edited by A. G. Williams, Esq., has entered upon the third year of its existence.

☞ *Niagara Falls Suspension Bridge.*—This will be one of the most stupendous structures ever erected in modern times—the building of which, we have before stated, has been confided in the hands of Chas. Ellet, Jr. Esq. late President of the Schuylkill Navigation. It is to be suspended across the river at the narrow gorge, between the cataract and whirlpool, in view of both, immediately over the rapids, about 230 feet above the water, by 16 wire cables about 1,100 feet long, and upwards of twelve inches circumference each. Its strength is to be equal to 6,500 tons tension strain, and to be subjected to the most severe and conclusive tests before used. The structure is to have a railway track through the centre, so as to pass locomotives and trains to accommodate the two railways that terminate there. It is to be completed by the first of May, 1849.

☞ *A Peaceable Community.*—The Court of Common Pleas, for the county of Barnstable, Mass. held its annual session lately. The Judges took their seats; the chaplain prayed; the full complement of grand and petit jurors; a melodious crier; and a bar full of lawyers qualified to maintain either side of any cause—yet, after all, not a single case, criminal or civil, was found for the juries! In six months not two men could be got to go to law with each other, and nobody had committed a crime that required a verdict of guilty or not guilty. The county is one of the most populous in that state—but the principles planted by the Pilgrims flourish there spontaneously.

Connellsville Railroad.—The famous Pittsburg and Connellsville Railroad Company, which, it will be remembered, passed the Legislature rather obscurely, and was designed to defeat the Central Railroad project, was dissolved a few days ago in the greatest confusion. The supplemental act, authorizing the company to construct a railroad westward from Pittsburg to the Ohio line, was, after much wrangling, agreed to be carried out.

☞ *Atrocious Murder.*—Izy Roberts, one of the most respectable inhabitants of the County of Burlington N. J., was inhumanly way-laid and murdered near Camden, on Saturday last. A large reward is offered by the neighbors of the deceased, and the State authorities, for the apprehension of the perpetrator of the foul act.

☞ *Hon. Alexander Ramsey* is a candidate for the Clerkship of the next National House of Representatives. Mr. R. would make an excellent officer, and between he and Nathan Sargeant the post is well fenced in by strong claims.

ITEMS OF GOSSIP.

☞ *Interesting to Volunteers.*—The Chilicothe Advertiser says that the Commissioner of the General Land Office has written a letter, in which he states that the warrants issued to the volunteers may be located on lands which have not been offered at public sale, provided the volunteers establish a presumption in their own right, but that they cannot be used by assignees for that purpose.

☞ *The Capitol at Washington* was brilliantly illuminated on Thursday night by Mr. Crutchett's Solar Gas Lights. The burners in the great Lantern elevated one hundred feet above the dome of the Capitol were also lighted; but the bright moonlight was unfavorable to a fair experiment. The National *Intelligencer* expresses the opinion that Mr. Crutchett has been eminently successful.

☞ *Queen Victoria.*—The rumor gains credence, says the correspondence of the *Courier des Etats Unis*, in circles of the highest authority, of the symptoms of insanity having been manifested by her majesty. The well known liability of her family to this malady, strengthens the probability of this report.

☞ *Jurors must not Drink.*—On motion for a new trial, in the Circuit Court of Yazoo, Miss., recently, it was proved to the court that some of the jurors during their deliberations partook of spirituous liquor, upon which the Judge set the verdict aside, granted the prisoner a new trial, and fined each juror who partook of the spirits $50.

☞ *Every great and noble feeling* which we cherish, every virtuous action which we perform, is a round in a ladder which leads to God. All knowledge of God proceeds from virtue. But virtue is a gift of God. Without God there is neither wisdom nor holiness and God is the centre of wisdom and holiness."

☞ *A Beautiful Dress* from Jenny Lind, the enchanting "Sweedish nightingale," as she is termed abroad, came over a day or two since, and passed through the Boston Custom House last week. It was made for and sent with a complimentary and friendly letter, to Madame Anna Bishop, now in Philadelphia.

☞ *Beautiful Thought.*—N. P. Willis has issued a new and highly illustrated edition of his poetry. It is dedicated "To a Memory and a Hope, my Mother and my Daughter, these voiced vibrations of the link between, are affectionately inscribed."

☞ *Mississippi.*—It is rumored that Col. Robins, of Mississippi, one of the trustees of the Vicksburg Bank, passed up the Ohio river a few days since, on his way to Europe, for the purpose of settling the repudiated bonds of that State.—This is rather doubtful.

☞ *Trying to Quit.*—The editor of the Iowa *Statesman* says, in his last week's paper:—Not much editorial this week—can't help it—another bouncing big boy in this shanty—only happens once a year—we are trying to quit it!

☞ *A windy political orator* recently made a speech, in every sentence of which he had something to say about "sound political principles." A bystander remarked, that if his principles were like his speech, they were all *sound*.

☞ *Rapid Travel.*—The cars now run through from Baltimore to Philadelphia in the short space of *five hours and a half.* Should ever there be a railroad bridge across the Susquehanna, this of course will be greatly exceeded.

☞ *Wisdom allows nothing* to be good, that will not be so forever; no man to be happy, but he that needs no other happiness than what he has within himself; no man to be great or powerful that is not master of himself.

☞ *A destructive Fire occurred* in Norristown on Friday night, last week. An oil mill was burned to the ground with its contents, and the extensive factory of McCredy & Son was, for some time, in imminent danger.

☞ *Poor Fellows.*—Louis Phillippe, King of the French, is said to be worth $150,000,000! Sir Robert Peel $90,000,000. John Jacob Astor $30,000,000.

☞ *Queer Enough.*—It was lately decided in an English court that the absence of a married man from his wife, for four years, in America, made his wife a widow.

☞ *Great Yield.*—At the agricultural fair in Washington county, Ohio, premiums were given for 144 bushels of corn to the acre on bottom lands, and 117 on high hill lands.

☞ *Gildersleeve*, the great runner, has been beaten by a Cattaraugus Indian, named Smoke, in a late match which came off at Buffalo. Time 58 minutes and 17 seconds—distance 10 miles!

☞ *Benevolence that can be* extinguished by ingratitude, is no true virtue, but, as it were base tinder, upon which vanity has thrown a spark, which is no sooner kindled than extinguished."

☞ *Horse Radish.*—may be kept during the winter by grating it while green, and corking it up in bottles filled with strong vinegar, set in a cool place.

☞ *True goodness of heart* nourishes itself on the good which it does to others. The good loves him to whom he does good, as the bad hates whom he has injured.

☞ *Another Candidate in the Field.*—A Democrat of Hartford, Ct. told a Whig the other day that he should vote for *William Proviso* for next President.

☞ *Gov. Whitcomb*, of Indiana, met with an accident recently, on the railroad, by which his legs were severely bruised—so much, indeed, that amputation has perhaps been found necessary.

☞ *Can't get ahead of the Lawyers.*—A lawyer of Cincinnati, who was recently dunned to pay a debt, made a demand of postage and charge for reading the dunn's letters.

☞ *Specie has for some time* been going out of the country, and the total exports of it in the month of November is estimated at $2,000,000.

☞ *A young man*, named Stillwell, has been arrested in Lancaster, on suspicion of being the murderer of the late Izy Roberts, of N. Jersey.

☞ *We learn from the* Rockville (Md.) Journal, that Mr. Joseph C. Taney raised on his place, this fall, a turnip which weighed 15½ pounds.

☞ *Another Link* has been added to the chain of Telegraphs on this continent; the line from Montreal to Quebec is open, and in operation.

☞ *The Fremont Court Martial* is progressing very slowly. It will scarcely be concluded for several weeks yet.

☞ *The Central Railroad.*—We understand that this road will be completed as far as Lewistown by this time next year.

☞ *The Cherokees* are daily showing evidence of civilization. They have now a public debt of $100,000.

☞ *Captain John Tyler* is making a tour of the West and South. He was in Cincinnati on the 18th inst.

☞ *John Quincy Adams*, it is rumoured (but we can't believe it) is in favor of annexing the "whole of Mexico or none."

☞ *The New York Canals* have yielded this year $3,500,000, or more than three-fourths of a million dollars greater than last year.

☞ *The French are* preparing, Louis Philippe included, for the arrival of the cholera.

☞ *There are no less than* forty-five newspapers published in the city of Boston.

☞ *The Pa. Legislature*, will assemble on the third day of January next, 1848.

☞ *Gen. Tom Thumb and suite* have arrived at Savannah, Ga.

☞ *"Why is Gen. Taylor* like a stack of wheat?" Because he has never been thrashed."

☞ *The service of plate* presented to the lady of Silas Wright, is valued at $1,900.

☞ *It is said that Santa Anna* has a princely fortune, invested in the British funds.

☞ *The Office of the Norfolk Beacon* in Virginia, was destroyed by fire lately.

☞ *The Cholera* has broken out in Ireland.

Corn Crop of the United States.—The corn crop of this year is estimated at 600,000,000 bushels; in 1845, it was 417,897,000 bushels. The yearly exports from 1791 to 1819, several times arose above a million bushels, sometimes over two millions, but from 1819 to 1845, they did not in any one year amount to a million. In 1846, the exports were 1,826,058 bushels corn, and 198,786 bbls. corn meal. In 1847 the exports have arisen to the enormous quantity of 17,272,815 bushels corn and 945,639 bbls. meal.

LOCAL ITEMS.

Melancholy Accident.—Mr. David Kloch, a clerk in the Mine Hill Railroad office near Schuylkill Haven, met with a shocking accident on Wednesday afternoon last. He was setting out for this place and in attempting to get on a Locomotive, his feet slipped, and threw upon the track, when the locomotive ran over one of his legs, below the knee, and mangled it in such manner that amputation was deemed necessary, which was performed by Dr. Koehler of Schuylkill Haven, and the patient is doing well under his skillful treatment.

Bank Directors.—The following gentlemen were elected Directors of the Farmers' Bank of Schuylkill County, at the Banking house in Schuylkill Haven, on the 8th instant, to serve for the ensuing year:

George Rahn,	Thomas H. Wilson,	A. Cummings,
D. E. Wilt,	B. M. Lewis,	A. Reifsnyder,
J. H. Adam,	A. Holmes,	H. Saylor,
E. Huntzinger,	F. W. Hughes,	J. C. Brenner,
	John Zinn.	

Miner's Bank.—The following gentlemen were elected Directors of this Institution, on the 15th instant:

John Shippen,	Dan'l R. Bennett,	Benj. Pott,
James M. Beatty,	Nathan Evans,	Wm. Mortimer, Jr
Eli Hammer,	Charles Miller,	Gideon Bast,
Thomas Evans,	Thos. C. Pollock,	Joseph Richards,
	George H. Potts.	

Lieut. F. B. Kaercher, we learn, expects to leave this Borough for the seat of War in a few weeks. He will continue to enlist recruits, however until then, at the rendezvous opposite the Town Hall, and those desirous of attaching themselves to his regiment, would do well to make early application.

Thanksgiving Day.—This day was duly observed by our citizens, agreeably to the recommendation of the Chief Magistrate of the State.—Nearly every one suspended business, and the Churches were filled. No labor was performed in our office on that day, and in consequence our paper is not so full of news matter as usual.

Pottsville Literary Senate.—We are requested to state that the members of this association, and those desirous of joining it, will meet at the Town Hall, on Monday night next, punctually at 7 o'clock. The constitution, &c. will then be submitted for consideration and adoption.

Messrs. Burd, Patterson and B. Pott, have tendered to the building Committee of the Court House, the free use of their stone quarries for such supply of stone as may be necessary for the construction of that building.

Mr. Morris' Lecture, on Thursday evening, was an able and eloquent production, and was listened to with the greatest pleasure by upwards of eight hundred ladies and gentlemen.

Distinguished Musicians.—Henri Herz, Camillo Sivori, and Geo. Knoop, are giving concerts at Lancaster, Wilmington, &c. Could'nt they make it convenient to visit our Borough soon?

Question for Discussion.—Can the street commissioners (or can they *not*) prevent the streets from becoming young Mississippi's whenever we have rain!

The Prize Banner.—When is "little New Castle" to have the Banner she won so gloriously in the recent Removal campaign?

Nothing has yet been ascertained of the whereabouts or fate of Jacob Labach.

☞ *Inflated Horse Collar.*—Among the various uses to which India-rubber has been recently applied, is that of horse collars, and it is regarded as a decided improvement over the leathern ones now in use. It consists of a tube of India rubber or other suitable substance, inflated with air, like a life preserver. Its advantage is that it fits the horse exactly, easily and without undue pressure upon any part, and leaves the breast and the joints of the fore leg free from the jolting and sudden pressure to which the common collar subjects them. "The merciful man is merciful to his beast," and we hope that this improvement will be generally adopted.

☞ *Professor Agassiz and the Vestiges of Creation.*—Prof. Agassiz, in a lecture, decidedly condemned the work named above, as unworthy the notice of any scientific man, and as only brought into notice by fortuitous circumstances. Nor was this the mere *ipse dixit* of the lecturer. The New York Post says: All his admirable lucid and scientific lectures tend to prove, with the force of mathematical demonstration, that the position taken by that work, in reference to the progression of the animal kingdom, is utterly untenable.

☞ *Capt. Walker's Remains.*—When the remains of the gallant Capt. were taken to Puebla, the botch of a carpenter made the coffin too small, whereupon Lieut. Clinton, of Scott's company, 1st Pa., off with his uniform, rolled up his sleeves, and made him a coffin himself. He is a carpenter, it is stated, and is from Moyamensing or Southwark, in Philadelphia. Lieut. Breese, of the same company, who is a blacksmith, entered a smithery, and made the nails. So much for Pennsylvania volunteers.

☞ *Mrs. Partington on Eloquence.*—Mrs. Partington, the venerable and tender-hearted friend-in-law of the editor of the Boston Post, speaks in the following just terms of praise of a temperance lecturer, to whose eloquent appeals she had just listened. "Dear me, how fluidly he talks. I am always rejoiced when he mounts the nostril, for his eloquence warms me in every nerve and cartridge of my body—verdigrease itself could'nt be more smooth than his blessed tongue is."

☞ *Marriage of Blood Relatives.*—The pernicious results of intermarriage of blood-relations, were never more strikingly exhibited than in the offspring of a marriage in Ohio, for of eight children five of them were born blind, and the whole of them are more or less weak-minded or insane.

The New York Sun says that the daughter of a well known merchant in Pearl street has eloped with a young gentleman, an artist, we believe, and well known in the literary circles of that city and Boston. Who cares—she loved him no doubt.

Mr. Trist has made new propositions of peace to Mexico—with what success is not understood. More despatches have been received from him, but they will not be published unless called for by Congress.

☞ *Congress will meet* on the 6th of December next. The President's Message is already becoming a topic of speculation. An authoritative avowal of his future policy respecting Mexico is anxiously looked for by the people.

☞ *The Extensive Firm* of A. Grey & Co., of Boston, Mass., Iron Manufacturers, failed a day or two ago, but having received an extension of time from their creditors, they have resumed business.

MISCELLANY.

☞ *Horace Greely, Esq.*—The editor of an Ohio paper, having recently visited the City of New York, thus alludes to one of its most noted citizens: "One of the most remarkable men of the craft is Horace Greely. We found him in a little old dingy looking garret, in the fourth or fifth story of the Tribune Buildings. He was all alone. Everything about him was in a glorious state of disorder and confusion. He was seated at a little table with his head down, poring over an old newspaper. About a cart load of the 'same sort' were strewed about him without regard to order or system.

"He greeted us with much cordiality, bade us to be seated, and commenced a conversation with regard to the politics of Ohio and Montgomery county. We were surprised to find that he knew all about the prominent men in the county—not only in the Whig and Democratic parties—but also in the Liberty party. He wished to know, particularly, the reason why the Democracy always carried the Sheriff, in this county, when the balance of the Whig ticket were elected. Of course we could not tell him. We came to the conclusion that if his information was as accurate in regard to every county in the United States, he must be a prodigious politician, Horace Greely is one of the finest and most intellectual men we ever saw. We were agreeably disappointed in his personal appearance."

We met with the same Horace in New York, between eight and nine years ago. He had much to say about the county in Virginia in which we then resided—knew the standing of all its principal men—what its Whig vote had been at the last election, and what it ought to be—in short, was as much at home in regard to all its matters of interest, as if he had been a "native." He is a "prodigy," notwitstanding his *isms*.

☞ *"Soldier's Life in Mexico.*—The famous Captain Tobin, in a letter to the New Orleans Delta, dated La Encantada, Oct. 11th, speaks of the desertion of two officers and eighteen privates of the Texas Battalion—of the abduction of the daughter of a wealthy Mexican by a bugler of Dragoons, who is reputed to have carried off "a goodly number of the Don's doubloons"—of the murder of two American blacksmiths at Buena Vista by two Mexicans, with whom they had been gambling in a corn-field, by candle-light, and of whom they had won—of the birth of a child to one of the dragoons named "Luke Surrey" in the muster-roll, but who is now violently suspected of having been a woman before becoming a dragoon, &c., &c. The following paragraph opens a vista for reflection:—

"Some of our boys have just come in from a scout. They killed four *greasers* (Mexicans) on suspicion of being guerillas—(so Raimos and Patterson are avenged with two for interest)—brought in several prisoners and a lot of mules and black cattle. We're in a starving condition out at the Texas camp—nothing to eat except beef, pork, bacon, mutton, hams, venison, bear-meat, snipe, duck, plover, etc., and for desert, only oranges, apples, pears, peaches and delicious grapes. If the war be brought to a premature close—which Heaven forbid—I don't know what we'll do for a living; as they say the penitentiaries at home have shut up for want of business, and we'll be too lazy for work."

☞ *No Land Like America.*—The Hon. Mr. Winthrop, of Boston, who recently returned from Europe, addressing a political meeting in Faneuil Hall, last week, said: He had recently returned from other and distant lands. He had stood in the halls of world-wide renown; he had stood in the hall where Chatham fell dead, while vindicating, in words of burning eloquence, the cause of the American colonies and of American freedom. He had been at Tunnymede, where the bold barons wrung from King John the Magna Charta—the constitution of England. He had stood on the field of Bannockburn, where Bruce won the liberty of Scotland; and on the 4th of July last, amid the wild hills and mountains of Switzerland—the land of Tell—he had in company with a companion and countryman, toasted once again his native and beloved land. But amid all his wanderings, he had seen no land like his own land—no hall like Faneuil Hall—no hill like Bunker Hill—no plains like those of Lexington—and no rock like that of Plymouth.

☞ *Workingmen Should Study Politics.*—I respectfully council those whom I address, (the working men of America,) I counsel you to labor for a clear understanding of the subjects which agitate the community—to make them your study, instead of wasting your leisure in vague passionate talk about them. The time thrown away by the mass of the people on the rumors of the day, might, if better spent, give them a good acquaintance with the constitution, laws, history, and interests of their country, and thus establish them on those great principles by which particular measures are to be determined. In proportion as the people thus improve themselves, they will cease to be the tools of designing politicians. Their intelligence, not their passions and jealousies, will be addressed by those who seek their votes. They will exercise not a nominal, but a real influence in the government and destinies of the country, and at the same time will forward their own growth in truth and virtue.

☞ *Loveliness.*—It is not your neat dress, your expensive shawl, or your golden fingers that attract the attention of men of sense. They look beyond these. It is your character they study. If you are trifling and loose in your conversation—no matter if you are as beautiful as an angel—you have no attraction for them. It is the true loveliness of your natures that win and continue to retain the affections of the heart. Young ladies sadly miss it, who labor to improve their outward look, while they bestow not a thought on their minds. Fools may be won by gew gaws and fashionable, showy dresses; but the wise and substantial are never caught by such traps. Let modesty be your dress. Use pleasant and agreeable language, and though you may not be courted by the lop and the sap, the good and truly great will love to linger in your steps.

A Hogish Conveyance.—A farmer of St. Albans, Vermont, recently made a grand *entree* into that place, mounted on a small car drawn by four large hogs. He entered the town at a brisk trot, amidst the acclamations of hundreds, who were soon drawn together to witness this uncommon spectacle. After making the tour of the market place three or four times, he went into the wool pack yard, had his swinish cattle unharnessed and taken into a stable together, where they were regaled with a trough full of beans and wash. They remained about two hours, while he despatched his business as usual at the market, when they were put to and driven home again, multitudes cheering him. This man, it is said, has only had these animals under training six months. A gentleman on the spot offered him $100 for the concern as it stood, but it was indignantly refused.

☞ *Soup.*—When one pound of lean beef, free from fat, and separated from the bones, in the finely chopped state in which it is used for beef sausages or mince meat, is uniformly mixed with its own weight of cold water, slowly heated to boiling, and the liquid, after boiling briskly for a minute or two, is strained through a towel from the coagulated albumen, and the fibrine, now becoming hard and horny, we obtain an equal weight of the most aromatic soup, of such strength as cannot be obtained even by boiling for hours from a piece of flesh. When mixed with salt and the other usual additions by means of roasted onions or burnt sugar, it forms the very best soup which can in any way be prepared from one pound of flesh.—*Liebig.*

☞ *Sensations in the Air.*—A young lady who accompanied Mr Gibson, the æronaut, in his balloon ascent from Birmingham, says: "To me the sensations of the ascent possessed a peculiar pleasantness, which it would be difficult to describe. It appeared as if the car of the balloon, together with all connected with it, remained just where it was, while the earth and its inhabitants sank away from us, and left us suspended stationary betwixt earth and heaven. The beautiful flood of light and soft silver-like scenery that bursts forth it would be in vain for me to attempt to describe."

☞ *The Pope has requested* that the sums subscribed for the erection of monuments to him through his states, shall be applied to the more useful purpose of erecting an asylum for aged persons at Rome, each province having certain rights of presentation.

☞ *An Odd Ending.*—You have seen D., the music seller in Boston—a grave, serious man, with more fun in his heart than in his face. He was travelling in New Hampshire once, when, mistaking him for a minister, he was asked to "say grace." It seemed an easy thing, and up rose D. But the subject seemed to open before him, and he went on as if there was no end to the reasons for thankfulness. Plates rattled, knives were dropped, and hungry men fidgetted, but on went D. *He had forgotten the end*, and was desperately striving to recall it. At last matters were growing serious. He came to a full stop, looked round the table and concluded with "Respectfully yours, Oliver D."—*Spirit of the Times.*

☞ *Col. Wynkoop and Capt. Walker.*—We find the following incident in our exchanges, purporting to be an extract from a letter from a member of the late Captain Walker's Company. In our opinion, the conduct of Col. W. is highly creditable to his nature: "The body of Capt. Walker was conveyed after the fight, with military honors, to a carriage supposed to belong to Gen. Santa Anna, escorted by the Pennsylvania Regiment, under the command of Col. W. F. Wynkoop. This officer, who had been at variance with Capt. W., burst into tears on looking at the body of the deceased, and exclaimed: 'I would have given six years of my existence if I could have spoken to Capt. Walker before he died.'"

☞ *A Father's Life Saved by his Son.*—Among the deserters tried and sentenced to be hung in Mexico, was a man named Edward McHenry, of the 4th artillery. General Scott, as commander-in-chief, had the power to approve or disapprove the sentence of the court. In passing on that of McHenry, the General made these remarks: "A like remission [from hanging] is made in the case of Edward McHenry, company G, out of consideration for a son, a private in the same company, who has remained faithful to his colors."

☞ *"I am going to fly,"* cried the gigantic ostrich, and the whole assembly of birds gathered round in earnest expectation. "I am going to fly, he cried again, and stretching out his immense pinions, he shot, like a ship with outspread sails, away over the ground, without, however, rising an inch above it. Thus it happens, when a notion of being poetical takes possession of unpoetical brains; in the opening of their intention to soar over clouds and stars, but nevertheless remain constant to the dust.—*Lessing.*

☞ *The City Item* is responsible for the following:—"*Berks County.*—It is a piece of unmitigated scandal to say that any of the people of old Berks still believe that Gen. Washington occupies the Presidential chair. We write on the authority of a gentleman living in that county, who says, that he has no doubt the people would vote for the old man if he would consent to run, but that they know he would not interfere with Gen. Jackson.'

☞ *"Twas twilight.*—The sun had sunk behind the western hills, and the bright rays which streaked the eastern horizon had disappeared. A lovely female, who had been but one short week a bride, and been led to the hymenial alter with lovely anticipations of future felicity, sat in a secluded apartment with her husband. She slowly moved her nymph-like form nearer to the partner of her bosom—closed her delicate hand—and—*slpped his face with the dishcloth!*

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