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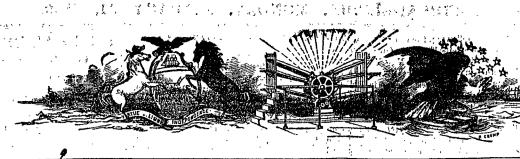
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The article by Mr. Greeley, of the Tribune, was written expressly for our columns. It is addressed to that very large class of young men in the country who desire to seek their fortune in the city, and is full of sound and wholesome advice. In furnishing this contribution to the Ledger Mr. Groeley is merely carrying eut, practically, the exalted principle of action, which he inculcates—namely, to direct one's talents into the broadest and most extended channel of useful-ness.

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We have a long and interesting contribution by the editor of the Daily Times. It is a personal reminiscence of his recent European tour. Mr. Raymond has often expressed, through the Times, the opinion that the Ledger is the best paper of its class in the world. All who read his very entertaining account of a visit to the home of Jane Eyre, written expressly for us, in his most careful style, will see that he is doing all in his power to make the Ledger as good as he represents it.

We have not, indeed, realized the pleasant vision of the man of old who foresaw the lion and the lamb lying down together; but we fancy there is some degree of artistic skill, at least, in the grouping of three lions in our columns.

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Bonnen's Next Oard—A Union of Journalists.—Bonner is evidently determined not to let the public forget him; he has hardly played out one trump before another is produced equally calculated to awaken surprise. Having, by his donation of \$10,000 to the Mount Vernon Fund, allured Mr. Everett into the ranks of his contributors, he has tried his seductive arts with the same success on subjects still less succeptible. In other words, Mr. Bonner's paper, to be issued on Monday next, will contain contributions from three of the prominent rival journalists of the New York daily press—namely, Bennett, of the Herald, Greeley, of the Tribune, and Raymond, of the Times, who have been induced—for at least one week—to lay aside their long-standing hostilities and write for the New York Ledgor. Bennett furnishes four poems—one of them an effusion of youthful sentiment, entitled "An Angel's Smile," another an apostrophe "To Mary Ann;" Greeley, a characteristic article in prose, urging unemployed young men to leave the city and go to farming; Raymond, an interesting reminiscence of foreign travel, relating the incidents of "A Visit to the Home of Jane Eyre;" while two other journalists—Morris, of the Home Journal, and Prentice, of the Louisville Journal—throw in their quota to the contents.

[From the Sun.]
Seeing is believing. We have seen the Ledger, and the fact is confirmed. The llone and lambs are to lie down together next week; the Ledger is to be their pasturing ground, and Bonner the child that leads them.

[From the Brooklyn Star.]
It will be seen, by our paper to day, that the editors of the Tribune, Times, and Herald are to appear in the New York Ledger next. week. The great fun of the thing is not in the value of the matter thus produced, but in the combination, and the wonder what Bonner will do next. We think the writer of the last quoted notice will change his mind as to the "raine" of these contributions, when he comes to read them.

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MONDAY, JANUARY 28, 1859.

Piccolomini in Washington. Washington, Friday .- " Within the memo of the oldest inhabitant," name unknown, there has not been more excitement here. I am told by everybody, than on the occasion of Piccolomini's expected appearance at a concert. It came off, last night, in the pretty band-box of a theatre, and there was a great furore as to the purchase of tickets. Prices ranged from two dollars and a half to one dollar. The last-named amount obtained only a standing. place. As the theatre contains about 700 per sons, nearly \$1,400 was taken. Two days be-

fore all the seats were engaged. The house was filled, but not inconveniently crowded, by the elite and beauty of Washington. Knowing what that is, you will understand, of course, that there was a brilliant assemblage—the ladies' eyes outflashing their gems, brilliant as they were. Lord Napier and his interesting wife attended, and so did the rest of the corps diplomatique. It was highly entertaining to notice the great number of persons whom Lord Napier contrived to interchange words with, in a *minimum* amount of time. How quietly he glided from place to place, smiling so blandly upon all and uttering agreeable compliments to each individual in the most gentle manner-compliments which, in their manner rather than their natter, gratified the amour propre. His Lordship breathes them sotto voce, and then retires,

with an inexpressible regretful look. Talking of one diplomatist reminds one of another. Among the crowd was the renowned Mr. Wikoff, who had just arrived, and is in wonderful preservation, personally. To my eye he seemed a year or two younger than when I last saw him. Some men are always getting younger, and so continue—until they go into second childhood. But Wikoff is until the color, which is until the color, which is the color of his whis.

The cut of his whis. kers, the subdued tone of his costume, the confidential manner of his conversation, the pococurante character of his address, and, to crown all, the affectation of hesitancy in his node of talking, are, if possible, a shade more English than before—which, I doubt not, is the great ambition of his mind. He seems overburdened with thought-as if all the Cabinets of the universo (including China and Japan) were at loggerheads, and that only one man-Henry Wikoff, to wit-had a right to

"The times are out of joint! oh dieadful spite,
That ever I was born to set them right!"

Apropos of Wikoff:—I have to add that Washington high life is on the flush of expec tation on account of a distinguished visitor No less a personage than Mrs. James Gordon Bennett, of the New York Herald, is expected nere next week.

Come back with me to the concert. stout, middle-aged Italian, sang a romanza, to which nobody paid the least attention. Malle Ghioni sang the "Grace," from Robert le Diable, with exquisite judgment and fine voice. Nobody minded her. Then Maggiorotti (the Roset, which he feels to be indispensable for him. The position it was intended he should compty that the stout. Signor above mentioned led on the stout. stout Signor above mentioned) led on the will, nevertholess, be not unworthly filled. The Piccolomini.

She was received with applause, but not much. Her singing of a duet with Maggiorotti, in which her dramatic effects were ex-cellent, was listened to with rapt attention, and many a smile was elicited by her liveliness; but, though recalled, at the conclusion of the piece, and even complimented with a boquet from the fair hands (I think) of pretty Miss Clayton, the accomplished daughter of

the Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, Manklad with her dark eyes, for looking at her," the audience had not made up their minds as to her quality, as a singer. In plain words, she was not encored. In a duct with Madlle. Ghioni, from the "Nozze de Figaro," she was encored. And again in that beautiful "I dreamt that I dwelt," by Balfe. The second time, she substituted one of Moore's Irish Melodies. She concluded with the brindisi from "La Traviata," with Mr. Porring, the English tenor. A violinist, named Wollenbaubt, who played with surpassing execution. "Who seems to flatter
Mankind with her dark eyes, for looking at her,"
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received the honor of the first encore. You may ask, what was the general impression of the Piccolomini? I would answer thus. The gentlemen admire her youth, good looks, plump figure, and general impression. The ladies formed very much the same impression-except that they were not unani mous about her beauty. Some declared that her complexion, which (like a popular book) was red all over, was a little too high. Some that her face was too full. Others that she had no intellectual expression. Nearly all affirmed that " the born Princess" (as Mr. Willis slyly nicknamed her) had not much of what could be called a voice, but that she was astonishingly adroit in covering her shortcoming, that way, by a number of pretty little coquetries, at which one could not help smiling, and amid which it was forgotten, for the nonce, that she had not even attempted to execute the difficult and trying passages. It was admitted, too, that seldom has melodious song gushed forth from a prettier pair of lips, (small, yet full,) and that never had vocalist so much of the rare art of singing without grimacing. Upon my word, I think

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scriptive of the home of the author of "Jane Kyre." These lions are to lie down together this was delicately flattering to Piccolomini, as, between and in company with them "the song-writer of America." General Morris, is to lie, as well as Prentice, of the Louisville Journal. What is this world coming to? Is the millennium at hand?

myself, but I also thought that the comparison was delicately flattering to Piccolomini, as, besides Mrs. Sickles not having so round a face, it is fall of intellect, while the singer's expensive of the Louisville Journal. What is this world coming to? Is the millennium at hand? noticeable that great female vocalist sometimes can do nothing but sing. For instance, Mrs. Wood and Guiletta Grisi.

Talking of handsome women, let me notice a few whom I recognised. There was Miss Lane, charming in looks and attire, who appears in the White House, like a beautiful ylvan nymph, put into the most becoming of nodern and fashionable costume. Accompamodern and fashionable costume. Accompa-nylog her was dark-eyed Mrs. Oraig, of Georgia, graceful and intellectual enough to der the admirable management and effective Georgia, graceful and intellectual enough to eass for a Tenth Muse. I have already named blooming Miss Saunders (step-daughter of Postmaster-General Brown), who must have greatly enjoyed the evening, for she is herself n accomplished musician. There, with her winning grace and classical features, was Mrs. Secretary Thompson. There, with the most attractive manner in the world, was Mrs. Sentor Thompson. There—quite near the stage—was charming Miss McGuire, who makes the planoforte all but sing. There was Mrs. J. D. Hoover, enjoying the concert, nd looking her admiration of pretty Piccolo-

WEIR-THE LA FARGE HOUSE: THE COUPARIS-AMERICAN INSTITUTE-BONNER: NETT, GREELEY, AND RAYMOND-PEES OF CITY AND COUNTY OFFICERS.

orrespondence of The Press.] Correspondence of New York are making vigor.

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The memorial of the venerable Duff Green, unsubstituted by their brothren in Boston, in the proposed celebration in honor of the centenary of Burns. It had been arranged that the festival here should be presided over by Washington Irving; but the advanced age and delicate health of that gentleman will preclude him from that repose at Walfert's venturing forth from the repose at Walfert's Venturing forth from that repose at Walfert's Venturing forth from that repose at Walfert's Venturing forth from that repose at Walfert's Venturing forth from the repose of the memorial of the venerable Duff Green, unfolding at plant whereby at American Improve were style, any furnish reservoir of vice memorial of the venerable Duff Green, unfolding at plant whereby at American Improve were style, any furnish repose of venerable Duff Green, unfolding at the memorial of the venerable Duff Green, unfolding at plant whereby at American Improve were style, any furnish repose of the memorial of the venerable Duff of the venerable Duff of the venerable Duff of the venerable Duff of the v by, William Cullen Bryant, who possesses great tact for such occasions. I learn that every ticket for the dinner was disposed of two woeks ago. The arrangements are confided to the hands of gentlemen whose social and intellectual position are too exaited to admit of any apprehension of failure.

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burg is being put through a scene of convulsion on the subject of "passenger railways." Meetings of "size," "influence," and "deep feeling," (for pelf.) are drawing out multitudes of the delighted and indignant. The resurrection of an "old omnibus company" is declared as being the cause, manner, and means. A delegation of the bold and experienced is heralded, and the Representatives feel singularly dubious.

The memorial of the venerable Duff Green, unfolding a plan warshy an "American Lunrove-

The Steamer Wabash. following private letter from Commodore Lavallette, flag-officer commanding the United States

Our Harrisburg Correspondence.

HARRISBURG, January 20, 1859.
As indicated in our last, we will notice the nature and design of a bill entitled "An act to confer on certain associations of citizens of this Commonwealth the powers and immunities of cor porations and bedies politic in law, and to confirm charters heretofore granted," which was read in been called by the eminent member from North ampton-Mr. Goepp. This bill is full of impor tance and interest to a large, enterprising, an energetic class of citizens in your city, who operation of these Saving Fund, Land and Building Associations, real estate is reliably vested and

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CONTINUED ALARM IN ITALY. VARLIKE MOVEMENTS IN SARDINIA. AMERICAN RELATIONS WITH SPAIN. THE INTEGRITY OF THE SPANISH DOMINIONS TO BE MAINTAINED.

The steamship Europa, from Liverpool 8th inst., arrived at New York on Saturday.

The screw-steamship Circassian was appointed to sail from Galway for New York, via St. John's, oh the same day as the Europa.

No steamers had arrived out since the departure of the Niagra.

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GREAT BRITAIN.

The London Times publishes in its city article, an anonymous political letter from Washington, in regard to the President's views of the Mexican question, and prefaces the letter with the following remarks: question, and preusons the state from Washington pur-remarks:

"The following private letter from Washington pur-ports to describe the policy of Mr. Euchanan with re-gard to Mexico. Partial absorption is said still to be the object instead of a defined protectorate or complete

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men and a large quantity of explosives. The American and French Governments are said to have declined to have enything to do with the invention, while the British Admiralty was giving it full and prompt attention.

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FRANCE

Great agitation still prevailed on the Parls Bourse, and in political circles, in respect to the Emperor's recent remark to the Austrian minister. It is siftened that a note was despatched recent, by from Parls for the Austrian and the subject of Servia, conched in rather significant terms, viz:—that the passage of the Pruth by Russia had been considered by the Allied Powers as a casus belie; and that there was, in point of fact, no difference between it and the crossing the Servian frontier by an Austrian army; for in the one case, as in the other, the integrity and independence of the Ottoman Empire would be menaced.

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At an official reception, subsequent to the incident of the 1st of January, it was remarked that the Emperor was most particular in his attentions to the Austrian ambassador, as if he wanted to show that it was not any feeling to him personally that provoked the unwonted warmth of his expressions at the levee, but rather from strong disapproval of the policy of his Government.

Paris, Friday, Jan. 7—The Moniteur of today contains the following:

"For several days public opinion has been agitated by alarming reports which it is the duty of Government to put a stop to, in declaring that nothing in diplomatic relations authorizes the fears which those reports tend to provoke."

The Paris correspondent of the Daily News says that the impression that Europe was on the eve of a general war gained ground immensely; and he asserts beyond a doubt that whatever turn events might take, the French army of Italy was quite ready to manch "on paper."

The same authority says the Austrian ambassador's private secretary had been suddenly despatched to Vienna.

A letter from Paris in the Independence Belge represents that Prince Napoleon has stated to Lord Cowley, the British minister, that the Imperial Government is ready to abandon the present system of negro immigration provided Great Britain will frankly undertake to assist France in obtaining cooles for the French colonies from the British possessions.

Paris, Friday, 7th.—The funds opened rather higher, but subsequently again deslined, so that the paragraph in the Moniteur has had no effect. The three per cents close at 71.10 for money, and four and a half per cents at 97.

NOTICE TO CORRESPONDENTS. Correspondents for "THE PRESS" will please bear in mind the following rules:

Every communication must be acc ame of the writer. In orde; to insure correctness in

We shall be greatly obliged to gentlem anis and other States for contributions giving the arrent news of the day in their particular localities, the resources of the surrounding country, the increase of population, or any information that will be interest.

ng to the general reader. unhappily was slightly weakened, by our infesting discords, this sentiment, the source of high deeds, and of generous and heroic impirations, displays now new vigor, and is increasing in much a way that, whils we will never be agreemive, and never sepire to deminate, we will never allow any encroschement to be made on the inheritance left us by our fainers. [Approba-tion.]" M. Olosaga, in his own name and that of seve-al other eminent members, representing the different political parties, then proposed this reso-ution:

tion:

"The Cortes declares that it has received with stiffsction the declaration of the Minister of Norsign Sairs, and that it is disposed to give to the Government a constant support, in order to maintain the integrity the Spanish commission." of the Spanish dominions."

The resolution was unanimously adopted and ordered to be inscribed in the archives. The Espana, though a violent adversary of the Cabinst, expresses warm approbation of the patrictic declaration of the minister, and states that in aquestion which, like that of Cuba, affects the national honor, Spaniards, whatever their differences on other points, will always be united. The other journals employ similar language.

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PERSIA.

Telegraphic accounts state that Ferukh Khan has been made Prime Minister, and that the reforms in the State had been decreed by the Shah. Commercial Intelligence.

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LONDON MONEY MARKET — Influenced by the continuous of the print on the Paris Bourse, the English funds had been depressed, and at one time Consolinad feelined to 50%. Lurge investments, however, soon caused a parisi recovery. On the 7th. upon advice of better prices in Paris, the market became firmely but later in the day the Fronch advices were less favorable, and Consols closed flat at 90% 296% for account, ex-dividend.

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A HEAVY ROBBERY—IMPORTANT ARREST.—
During the night of the 24th December, the jewelry store of Simon Bullay, in the city of Havans. Cuba, was robbed of watches and jewelry valued at \$20,000.

Agantleman had his suspicious excited by the conduct of two men on a steamer from Cuba. On arriving in this city the gentleman lodged information with the philos here, and a telegraphic despatch was immediately sent to New Orleans whither they had gone. The police of the city immediately arrested two young mee who had just arrived on the steamer from Key West, Fla., and who gave the names of F. Serry and L. Duclos, and in a few days both confessed the robbery. About \$15,000 worth of goods stolen were in the custom house, and the chiaf of police prooured a power of attorney from Serry, and the goods, after being fully identified by the numbers sent from Cuba by the Consul General, was readyped for Havans by the steamer Black Warrior. As there is no extradition treaty with Spain, the men could not be detained. THE FIREMEN.—The members of the Por-

held in \$500 ball to answer.

THE CONTESTED SEAT OF Mr. MCULEAN.—
The committee in the matter of the contested seat of Mr. McClean, of the State Legislature, were in session on Friday and Saturday last, by authority of the House, for the purpose of bearing the evidence, at the Pelletter House. Walnut street, below Fifth. It is stated that the testimony, thus far, shows more frandulent votes to have been polical for Mr. McClean in the Eighth precinct of the Fourth ward than the rajority given him by the election returns. The committee befoursed on Saturday attenuon to meet at the same place to-day for the purpose of concluding their investigations.

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COMFORTABLE QUARTEES.—Sheriff Fithian,
of Cumberland county, passed through this city last
week with the following-named persons, convicted at
the recent term of the court of said county, and sentanced to the State prison:
John Stratton, rape, 9 years and 3 months.
John Harry, horse-stealing, 6 years.
John and David Facemire, grand larceny, 1 year and
8 months each.

known as protessional threes, and was commerced Adderman Freeman as vagrants.

RAILROAD SMASH.UF.—On Friday evening last a freight train on the Resding Railroad ran off the track opposite the falls of Schuylkill. Several of the cars were badly broken, but fortunately no person was lojured. The down passenger train was detained about an hour, until the rubbleh was cleared away, and a temporary track laid down, a portion of the rails having been torn up by the accident.

PARDONED.—The notorious Nathaniel J. Bird, alias Dr. Hunter, who, at the October term of conte, 1853, was convicted of bigamy, and was sentenced to ten years imprisonment in the State prison, was liberated a few days since. On Friday he visited our city, we learn, in search of one of his numerous spouses.

Accident.—About eleven o'clock on Satur-

ACCIDENT.—ADOIL eleven Colocs on Isaturday morning a man, named John Mohan, was run over by a cart at Twontieth and Fittwater streets, and had one of his legs broken. The sufferer was conveyed to the Pennsylvania Hospital.

UANDIDATES FOR THE HIGH SCHOOL.—The examination of applicants for admission to the Central High School will commence this morning.

HEALTH OF THE CITY.—The interments last week amounted to 197, an increase of 23 over the