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In one of these letters, written last week, allu-sion was made to the enormous amount of damages assessed for the widening of Duane and Reade streets, (less than two miles in length.) The whole amount of damages was over a million of dollars, of which sum the largest amount awarded to any one person was \$100,700 to Elisha Bloomer. The sum looks large, bat Mr. Bloomer regards himself an injured individual. "The railroad companies of this State, imitating these nearor your town, are using coal as a fuel for these nearer your town, are using coal as a fuel for locomotives. The Hudson River Company has just added six coal-burning locomotives, making a total new of thirty-one. On the Eric and Contral, especially the latter, coal will spon supersede wood, for although it is the policy of the Central to keep always on hand a supply sufficient to last one or two years, to prevent wood-dealors from making combinations, or suddenly raising the price, the

the Pacific coard, sayoral, hundred milles from any-land laid down in the Garais. The letter was dated at sea, January 16, 1859, and init to Ortain Eldridge says of the island 4. A structh, and long. 170.35 weet, very low and diagonous, and is, I, expect, the last resting place of the orew of some of the ships which have been missed in 'years gone by'. I 'ran along the ice aide within pistel-shot of the ships which have been missed in 'years gone by'. I 'ran along the ice aide within pistel-shot of the beach, but it was too rough to land, and after convincing myself that there were no living people upon the island, squared away again. On the highest: part of the island is a house apparently built from pleets of a wreek, with a flog-shaft at one end, from which still dangled the haly are block. Near: the chouse were several. little hammooks, seah with a tall, upright stom upon it, sylicitly, the graves of, the poor fol-lows who had escaped from the wreek, while re-sel, and died on this dreary, spot, where perhaps they had spont months in vainly. looking for a. passing sail to roliove, them, from their weary prizon. A despatch from Port, Jorvis, New York, says : "Four yopng men of this place started at 7 o clock yesterday morning from Kick's pior, for a voyage to Philadelphia in a small row-boat, woll provi-sioned for a week's cruise with the good things provided by their hay thiends. The dock was

sioned for a week's ornise with the good things, provided by their lady friends. The dock was thronged by the citizens of the place to see them. off, and the stream, they gave them nine hearty: cheers and a salute of thirteen, guns. Their boat was highly decorated with days and awing; and

was highly decorated with fage and awing; and this shit total foll our decay of slaves from they wast on their way refolding " The Miraukov Wiscours: has no doubt that he crop of spring what now harvested in that State is anout at 14,000,000 bushels, and allowing 4,000, 000 for constimution, there will be 10,000,000 bushels els for export. The Wiscourse does not anticipate high prices, but claims that the excellent quality of the what will create a domand for it among mill-ters. The Wiscourse of the transfer of slaves in bold or shall be to the transfer of the transfer of the transfer of the transfer of the transfer the transfer of the transfer

(lionain) was announced to errors Magars again yesterday, with a mai'or his lack is the provide of the officits of the Governments seeking to sup-rors and the facili-into New Bedford Mercing learns by a private lettor that Capital Bobert D. Eldridge, of the bark Amazon, of Faithaven, has discovered an island in the Safet dissection of the single commercial pursaits, before that the Safet dissection of the single commercial pursaits, before that the Safet dissection of the single commercial pursaits, before that the Safet dissection of the single commercial pursaits, before that the Safet dissection of the single commercial pursaits, before that the Safet dissection of the single commercial pursaits, before that diss afford do with the operation of the single commercial pursaits, before that a sea, January 16, 1859, and in the optimise dissection at sea, January 16, 1859, and in the optimise dissection says of the single core of some of the single which have been missed in 'years gone by'. I 'ran along' the los side within pistol-she of the bach, but if that hard on and and and sear of the factors of the single back and the fore recommended that this Govern-that there were no living 'people upon the island'. Ho therefore recommended that this Govern-ment the ways ngain.' On the bighest part of the

ment should "forbid, to its citizens, all trade with the slave factories on the coast of Africa; giving an example to all nations in this respect, which, if fairly followed, cannot fail to produce the most effective results in breaking up those dens of iniquity? Under Mr. Tring's Administration, tho Ash-

barton treaty was formed with Great Britain, for the more effectual suppression of the trude by which each nation agreed to keep a fleet on the coast of Africa to capture slavers. Notwithstanding all the legislation of our

country on this subject, all our treaties, and our African squadrons, the fact is alleged by the New York Herald, and copied into other papers, that the slave trade continues to flourish, that a large number of slavers are annually sent forth from our Northern ports, that they have long conveyed cargoes of slaves from

pledge you "my life, my fortune, and my sacred honor" that I will not mislead you. Quid, quid,

liant company to the people of Fundatorian and of the state of the non. during the coming season, is discredited. Mr. decam out erst, aut non. Geometry Hoop: the expert and enterprising including James Buckanan, there will be but

caterer to the play-going public, has a lease of the house for. September, and will no doubt make the best use of his time.

make the best use of his time. The movements of Enwin Forness, the great American tragedian, a native, and now a resident of Philadelphia, have stimulated much speculation. Some months ago a number of the most distinguished gentlemen had it in contemplation to propose to our eminent forwing and the should personate, at the Academy of Music, a round of his great characters—especially those of SHAREFERE characters especially those of SHARBFEARE the Lupercal, Antony did thrice present great but his private engagements interposed, and a Characters - espectally those of Shakestear but his private, engagements interposed, and a design which must have been crowned with good results was postponed. We are not in Mr. FORRES's secrets; but when we recollect that there are few men living capable of occupy-ing the position he occupies, and that the lead-ing young actors of the day are few in number, we cannot doubt that the appearance of Mr. Foreser in his native city would be greeted by such a popular demonstration as he has not witnessed in his long and eventful carcer. We are aware that more than one manager is anxions to take advantage of his great abilities. It is not our province to suggest which estab-lishment he should choose and we only give

koly upon it, J. B. will be nominated at Charles-ton, as I have stated. Is there any anxiety to know who is to be nomi-nated for the Vice Presidency? Who, but one man in the country, is fit to be placed on the same the company exceed \$2,750,000. Yerily, speculalishment he should choose-and we only give utterance to what we think is the general ex-

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combinations, or suddenly raising the price, the cormous quantity used is clearing the whole line of the road, and slowly but surely putting up the price, which railroad corporations cannot afford to pay. They must come to the coal of Pennsylvania. The published reports of the life insurance com-panies, as they appear in the ordinary advortising columns of the daily journals are more entertain-ing and instructive than much of the roading mat-ter. I have just fourced at the speet to the source to the start of the source of the speet of the source of the source of the source of the speet of the speet of the source of the source of the source of the speet of the speet of the source of the source of the source of the speet of the speet of the source of the source of the source of the source of the speet of the spe ing and instructive than much of the reading mat-ter. I have just glanced at the report of trans-actions of the "Mutual" Company, of this city, for the quarter ending August I. During that quar-tor the amount received by the company for pre-miums and interest was \$430,525 64. Disburse-

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