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rinted, on fine paper; the engravings are finely xecuted, and the binding is firm and handsome. is destined to command a very large sale. BENTON'S DEBATES IN CONGRESS. From Mr. John McFerland, agent for the work this State, we have received vol. XIII. of the Benton's A work, equal, in its way, to the celebrated Parlis entary History of England : a work to be con-

ilted as one for reliable reference. The present clume includes the Congressional proceedings from December, 1835, to the close of the aession on March 3, 1839, covering the last sixteen months of General Jackson's Presidency and the first two years of Mr. Van Buren's. Stirring times, in which great men lived and acted—Adams. Benton Calhoun, Cambrelengs, Clay, Jackson, S. B. Prentiss, Van Buren, Walker, Wise, and Daniel Webster. HAYES'S ARCTIC BOAT JOURNEY.

From Lippincott & Co. we have received "An Arctic Boat Journey, in the Autumn of 1854; by Isaac I. Hayes, Surgeon of the Second Grinnell Expedition." This volume is published by Brown, Taggart, & Chase, of Boston, and is got up, in every respect, in the best manner. Dr. Hayes, who is a Philadelphian, was with the late Dr. ane, on the Second Grinnell Expedition, in 1854. resting. The narrative is plain, without the least attempt at fine writing, and the reader follows the fortunes of the adventurous travellers with great anxiety, knowing that the relation is all true. The perils they braved, starvation included, are told in a graphic manner, and the interest never flags. In the concluding chapter, Dr. Hayes, who is about taking another voyage to the North Pole, discusses the modes, facilities, and dangers of such an expedition, (thinking lightly of the perils,) and gives reasons for his belief that there is open sea in the regions where fields of ice are usually looked for. The suitable illustrations of this voume are two charts; the first of the upper limit of Baffin's Bay, illustrating various journeys, including Dr. Hayes's; the second, of the Arctic Regions projected from Berghaus and Petermann, the charts of Dr. Kane, materials on the British Hy-

drographic office, and other sources.
COOPER'S NOVELS, ILLUSTRATED BY DAR-LEY. "Homeward Bound," by Cooper, with Darley's illustrations. This novel, which was published in 1833, had the misfortune not to be well received in this country, it being considered that the auther had been unnecessarily sarcastic upon American tourists, in his very decided sketch of Mr. Steadfast Dodge. In fact, Mr. Cooper did make a great mistake in this character, when he drow Mr. Dodge as deficient in physical courage—which, assuredly, is not true of the American that the analysis of the same acciliation.

Mr. Schuyler Colfax withdraws the name of Mr. Form yealf, the sharge that I was armed for any purpose is, like the rest, wholly unfounded and false. For reasons entirely satisfactory to myself, I never have, in civil life, carried as weapon of any kind on my person. The sum of it is, that I performed a kind and good natured as weapon of the whole number being 197.

Ford was not long ago Licutenant Governor of Oble, and was elected as a Know-Nothing on the ticket on which Chase was elected Governor. He made his first bit in a speech in the Convention of The Charleston Cowesses. is not true of the American race. We may swagger a little, now and then, but our whole ess a great deal of that constitutional urage which goes by the name of pluck. In England, "liomeward Bound" was extremely 1860. Regland, "HUREWARD FACE between the well received. The cocan race between the Baltish servatta H. B. M. liner Montank and the British corvette H. B. M. Foam, excited great interest, and the wreck upon the African coast, with the adventures in which the Arabs took part, were read with even greater avidity. Eve Effingham, also, was accer nost natural, of those that Cooper had drawn. In

his high reputation, and they are engraved in the first style of the art.
MELVILLE'S HOLMBY HOUSE. Ticknor and Fields have issued, as the Second umber of their new Library of Standard Fiction Holmby House: a Tale of Old Northamptonshire by G. J. Whyte Melville. It is a story of English life in the first half of the Seventeenth century and concludes with the execution of Charles the First. Its historical truth is considerable, and i

characters are well drawn. ART JOURNAL FOR FEBRUARY. From W. B. Zieber, South Third street, we have the Art Journal for the present month, published in London and New York. Of the principal en gravings, two are very good. These are Carlo Maratti's "Virgin and Child," from the Royal Collection in Windsor Castle, and "Caractacus, from the Statue by J. H. Foley. The "Liberation of the Slaves," by Le Jeune, also from the Royal Collection, is well engraved, but does not tell its own story, which every good picture ought to do. There are numerous wood-engravings here, of great merit-three illustrations of the late David Cox. and the sketches of Mr. and Mrs. Hall's Railway Guide in South Wales, are in this degree.

The Second Part of Benson J. Lossing's Hudson be a man of integrity and wholly intent upon River, from the wilderness to the ses, is in the resent Number, but the engravings are rather ceble, and the letter-press partakes of the same fault. There is a good deal of pleasant reading in the Art Journal. Walter Thornbury's skatch

alled "Nollekins in Mortimer-street," is a charming biographical study.

THE KNICKERBOCKER FOR MARCH. A very good number; the Miscellaneous papers giving a great deal of information and some enternt, and L. G. Clark's Editor's Table better than usual-which must be a difficult feat to accomplish. The extracts from The Bunkumville Chronicle and the Bunkum Flagstoff, reproduced hore, have made us laugh as much as they did a score of years ago. CHAMBERS'S ENCYCLOPÆDIA.

The Appletons, of New York, have advanced to art X1, in their republication of this work. These eleven parts contain 714 pages octavo, in double lumns, with clear type and numerous wood-engravings, and bring the information down to the hject Barometer. The whole work will be completed in about eighty monthly parts.
A GERMAN "PRINCE OF THE HOUSE OF

G. G. Evans, Gift-book store, Chestnut street.

has brought out, in one volume 12mo., illustrated with a fine steel-engraving of Jerusalem, a German translation of J. H. Ingraham's "Prince of the louse of David," a half-history romance, which MRS. MARSH'S "WOLFE OF THE KNOLL." Charles Scribner, New York, has published a olume entitled "Wolfe of the Knoll, and other great philologist, whose able "Lectures on the English Language," (also published by Scribner,) we shall take an early opportunity of noticing. the principal poem with the scene alternating from the Danish island of Amrum, in the North Sea, to he city and territory of Tunis. The contrasts between the countries and races thus introduced are vividly drawn, and Mrs. Marsh tells us that the pictures of Sahard, and of the wild tribes who traorse it, are partly drawn from personal observation of desert-life and scenery. The poem, which gives a title to the volume, occupies over 200 pages, part the measure is the octo-syllabic, whose fatal facility" Brron lamented. There is to very little incident, that we shall not ketch the plot. The merit of the poem is in-lependent of its story. The opening lines of the first Canto are splendid, and we could point out many passages of equal merkt. Nevertheless, Mrs. Marsh is not a poet. She has yet to learn how to rhyme. A poet who attempts rhymed metre, and puts in melodious unity and contrast words which are not corresponding sounds, is as much rong as if he wrote a letter and did not spell properly. In a word, rhymes ought to rhyme. In a poem, called "Axel," translated from the Swedish, Mrs. March has a greater numper of bad rhymes than we ever met within the same space. We shall point out a few. Still

baim and arm, (Cookneyish,) made and residing at 415 Canal street, who deposes that he head, soul and memorial, are and prayer, dwelt and built, owns and crowns, seas and this, inthe United States; that on the 10th of April, 1833, in the city of London, Mr. Berten married 1833, in the city of London, Mr. Berten married wedness, there and built, owns and crowns, seas and this, instantly and away, same and dream, maid and indeed, endure and power, war and bear, kies and less, hears and dares, north and both, choose and shall be descent, amend the lists, when Mr. Berton married they lived together iiil 1834, when Mr. Berton married came, spult and bett, man and rain, seon and down, appears and cares, morn and fown, last and down, appears and cares, morn and fown, last and best, stone and gone, strewn and drawn, still and best, stone and gone, strewn and drawn, still and best, stone and gone, strewn and drawn, still and best, stone and gone, strewn and drawn, still and best, stone and gone, strewn and drawn, still and best works. This is an exact fao-simile of their forthcoming Household edition of Charles Dickens's Works. This is an exact fao-simile of their forthcoming Household edition of the south sine handred lines make an alarming total to her deficiency in this respect, Mrs Math's volume has afforded a very triffing gratification. Testimony with be taken early sext most trespective with a vignette illustration upon the title-page of with a vignette illustration upon the title-page of the main poem, and the result has been that it in the United States; that on the 10th of April, instantity and away, same and dream, stand and indeed, endure and both, choose and less, kears and dares, morth and both, choose and power, seas and these, there is an unat of the dether; title they lived together title is deal they lived together title is deally lived the deceased, and states that they lived together title is deal they lived together title is deal they lived together title is deal they lived the deceased, and states the theat count umerous and inexcusable had rhymes affected us sinfully, as if we looked at a painting in which, hough the design and coloring be good, the drawng is defective in many points.

TWO CENTS.

Letter from " Ezek Richards." Washington, February 27, 1860. The New York Seventh Regiment took the House

y starm again to-day, and was in fall possess

xpelled to the corridors, where it is still in angry

stature it was finally repoised, and

for an hour; but, after the almost superhu

rominence. John Coohrane, who came under the lask of the New York Tribuns for the lack of ttention vouchsafed to the faventh defended imself. The Tribune said he was chairman of he Committee of Arrangements, whereas the clothing to do with the arrangements—or, as some excited New Yorkers, under the lead of Luther C. Carter, say-the dis-arrangements, of the Twenty-second. Mr. Garnett B. Adrain, who ras on the committee, desired to make an i explanation in reference to the manner in which Mr. Carter wanted to lay the committee. the President, and the citizens at large, in one quivering mass of slaughter, as a sacrifice to what he supposed the offended dignity of the Seventh Regiment. This was the toesin of war, and it rould be difficult, isdeed, to follow the movemen of the guerillas, who thus fillbustered through a us hour. Burnett, of Kantucky, was pro minent in the attempt to clear a way for Adrain. In the autumn of that year, accompanied by seven His labors were worthy of a better result. Some persons, being a portion of the officers and crew of twenty or thirty members at a time would arrest His labors were worthy of a better result. Some the brig Advance, then In Rensselaer Harbor, he the attention of the bewildered Speaker, but when ade an attempt to reach Upernavik, in North they all had failed ' to make their mark," Greenland, the nearest outpost of civilization. The the persistent Kentuckian would still be erect party were absent during nearly four months, and returned to the brig unsuccessful, not having gone beyond Netlik, not quite a third of the journey.

Dr. Hayes's account of this episode, in Kane's bush gray head. He kept right on "like the bush gray head. He kept right on "like the state of the permittent Renucation would said to no purpose. After order had been restored, Mr. Carter areas, but numerous "objections" were levelled at his bush gray head. He kept right on "like the

made his first hit in a speech in the Convention of Philadelphia which nominated Fremont. This prought him out, and, taking the stump in Ohio made himself effective. He is a lawyer by properion his local habitation is supposed to be in Mansfield, Ohio. He is not overstooked with the goods of this world, and was recently appointed clerk of one of the House committees. A second and a third ballot improved Mr. Ford's hances, but did not settle them

REER BICHARDS.

Letter from New 1 ork. Letter from New Loik.
Resignation of General Pillsbury: Political
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CHILDREN—SENTRICE OF YOUNG LANE—OFERSTIC
PERFORMANCE FOR THE LATE GEORGE WILKISS. PERFORMANCE CHRISTY PREFARING FOR EUROPE—EX-PRESIDENT PIERCE—THE AFPLETONS—ASSISTANT POSTWASTER GENERAL KING—MR. BURTON'S WIĞL CONTESTED --- ARCHBISHOP HEGHES.

fississippl correspondence of The Press. NEW YORK, February 27, 1860 The anticipated resignation of General Pillsbury as superintendent of police, is deeply regretted by nservative men of every class, irrespective of party, and by none more than the Republican jouralists, who criticise the conduct of the commisioners in terms of just indignation. Indeed, with the exception of two journals, I believe the entire press regard Mr. Pillsbury's withdrawal from the pariment, not only as a serious loss to the city, ts peace and security, but as opening the departit again to all the corrupt influences and purposes of a set of political hucksters, here and at Albany, who would convert the services of the policemen from their legitimate sphere to mere intruments of the present dominant power at the State capital. I am not, nor have I been, among the number of those who regard Mr. Pillsbury as the best man in the country for the position he has held during the past year: yet, I believe him to be a man of integrity and wholly intent upon keeping the department strictly to the duties for which it was organized. Although a Democrat, he was appointed superintendent by a Republican board, at the urgent solicitation of Governor Morgan, and no hint has yet found its way to the peblic of a single instance of political or personal favoritism on his part. He retires use moffice with clean record. The truth is, the Republican wire pullers demand the piace for some one who, as far as it can be done without positively provoking the public diegust, will use the place to promote the interests of that party, and there are not men wanting who are willing to assume its delies upon now in jall. wanting who are willing to assume its diffies upon any terms that may be dictated. During the

wanting who are willing to assume its difties upon any terms that may be dictated. During the coming national contest, therefore, the rogues and desparadoes who infest the city will earry on their operations with comparative impunity, and those who can command any considerable number of votes may reasonably hope to have a highly successful season's business.

The will of the late Stephen Whitney is published in full in the Herald of yesterday. Ils makes no bequests of a public character, but divides the estate equally between his children, subject to no unusual or unpleasant restrictions. Inderstand it conts up at about ten millions of dollars, and as all sums the old gentleman advanced

Nov-Interspectations.—The Charlesion Exercise.

A GREAT CASE.—A case of immeres importance and in a continue to the content of the state of Contents. A case of immeres importance and the college of the college The will of the late Stephen Whitney is published in full in the Herald of yesterday. He makes no bequests of a public character, but diunderstand it outs up at about ten millions of dol-lars, and as all sums the old gentleman advanced

lars, and as all sums the old gentleman advanced to his children are forgiven and wiped out, the young people will each start with a tolerably fair cash capital.

Young Lane, of Fulton Bank and fast horse notoriety, was, on Saturday, sentenced by Judge Ingraham to three years and three months imprisonment at Sing Sing. It is probable, however, that the lawyers may take the case to the court above, and procure a new trial. ind procure a new trial.

Early in the coming month a performance, on unusually large scale, will take place at the Academy of Music, for the benefit of the family of the An Agency to Assist Fugitive Staves to Return to their Masters. • demy of Music, for the benefit of the family of the late George Wilkins, for many years an agent of the opera. It will be participated in by the best operate and dramatic talent in the metropolis.

George Christy contemplates a professional trip to England. Although his success here has been uninterrupted, he is confident that his present company is so much superior to any that has ever been heard in London, that he would realize a huge amount in a little while. Before he leaves he will give a short season at Philadelphia.

The will of Burton, the actor, is to be contested. On Saturday afternoon sffidavits were filed in the Surregate's office for that purpose, on behalf of Mr. Burton's first wife, from whom it is claimed he was never legally divorced. This Mrs. Burton No. 1 is now living in London with her son, an artist of

never legally divorced. This Mrs. Burton No. I is now living in London with her son, an artist of merit. It is said that Burton was frequently in the habit of sending orders privately to a friend in London to purchase the best pictures of his son, and that his residence in Hudson street contained several fine productions from that source. No proceedings will be had under the will until this Mrs. Burton arrives. She is now on the way.

Mr. Burton's library is to be sold at auction during the coming month. It numbers about 15-1000 volumes, of which fully one third are various editions of Shakspeare, and commentaries on his works, published during two centuries in different.

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his private secretary. As part of the gossip of the hour I may mention a rumor that ex-President Pierce has offered to take command of the Ancient and Honorable Ar-

illery corps of Boston for this year, and that the sy intend visiting New York some time during the summer as the guests of the old City Guard, now under the command of Capt. Manufald Lovell, formerly of the army. The "Honorables" sleet a captain every year ther rumaris that the Appletons, after vasating their present spacious store on Broadway, will erest an equally stylish one on the site of the Roman Catholie Church in Canal street, some three or four hundred feet east of Broadway.

First Amistant Postmaster General King is among the guests at the New York Hotel. GENERAL NEWS.

Prom the Washington Intelligencer; The Arrack of Hickman—Statement of the Vice President.—The incident referred to in the subjoined letter, though much talked about at the time, was so variously reported that we concluded not to notice it at all; but, as our readers may have read versions of the occurrence in other journals, we consider it proper, in justice to the Vice President, to copy his latter explanatory of his conduct in the transaction: LETTER FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT.
To THE EDITORS OF THE CONSTITUTION: Gentle.

man, of Pennylvania, some extreordinary statements have appeared in the public p The New York Tribune and other presses he berately charged that I, in cogentlemen, was present on that occasion to sails. Elmundson in an assault on Mr. linkwan and I have been very much surprised at these seen ations, but have waited a reasonable time in th

they sill had failed 'to make their mark,' the persistent Kentuckian would still be erect and speaking. It was all to no purpose, but numerous "ebjections" were levelled at hid bushy gray head. He kept right on "like the Proportis to the Hellespont,' and managed to say that he would offer his obnoxious resolution again to give Adrain a chance to pitch into him; with the evident hope of having the pleasure of a return blow. This was doughty on the part of the verification of the present.

Yet, in private, John Cochrane, Carter, Adrain, and Galusha Grow, are having a very earnest powhow on it. Cochrane is especially emphatio, probably persuasive. The color of Carter's face glows in strong contrast to that of his half. Adrais wishes to show why and wherefore; and Carter, functioning down both his elenched first, like a man practising with dumb-bells, evidently takes his impractising with dumb-bells, evidently takes his impractised by some one, (Mr. Hickman secured the matter that the evidently takes his impractive. The color of Carter's face glows in strong contrast to that of his half. Adrais a motion with his early and towards Mr. Hickman would feel bound to our rect them. He has not dense seen. I have not deficulty between these following statement:

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