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Advance Payments.—Hereafter no subscription will be taken for the Daily or Weekly Gazette, unless payment is made in advance. Whenever the time is up to which the subscription is paid, the paper will be invariably stopped, unless the subscription is renewed by advance payment. All transient advertising, of every description, will be required to be paid in advance. The only exceptions will be where special monthly or yearly contracts are made. sep1:d&w

The Pittsburgh Weekly Gazette.—The extensive circulation of our Weekly Gazette offers to our business men most desirable medium of making their business known. Our circulation is between four and five thousand, reaching almost every merchant, manufacturer and shopkeeper in Western Pennsylvania, and Eastern Ohio.

The Governor of South Carolina Rebuked.—It will be remembered that Governor Adams, of South Carolina, refused to transmit to the Legislature of that State certain resolutions on slavery adopted in the Massachusetts Legislature, and transmitted by the Governor of the Bay State to Governor Adams. The committee on federal relations of both branches of the South Carolina Legislature disapprove of the course of the Executive, and rebuke him for withholding the resolutions. The House committee say:

"The Governors of the States, ever since the adoption of the constitution of the United States, from the propriety and necessity of the case, have been uniformly recognized as the only legitimate channels of communication between the States; and such communication has always been carried on through the medium of resolutions of the legislatures. Where intercourse between the Executives of the different States is interrupted, there is obviously no mode whereby one State can in any wise communicate with another." * * * * * * * *

"The determination of the question, when and for what cause the intercourse between our own State and that of any other member of this Confederacy should be interrupted, appears to your committee appropriately to belong to the General Assembly, as the representatives of the people, and proper arrangements have been made in both Houses for the consideration of such questions by the organization of standing committees; and it will always be the safest course to refer such matters to them. The interruption of intercourse between States and nations must ever be a grave subject, and demands the sober consideration and consultation of all the interests of the people of the States concerned; and the same guards and checks upon hurried action which the constitution has provided in the case of ordinary legislation, would always be well applied to a matter of so great importance."

And the Senate committee say:—

"From the beginning of the existing connection between the States of this Confederacy up to this time, such intercommunication has, almost of necessity, been through the executive departments. To abandon this practice, or to make it difficult and uncertain, would involve the State in no little embarrassment. In all the cases involving the principle of extradition of fugitives, the intervention of the Governor is required by law; in other cases, where there is no positive law, still necessity, and immemorial usage, are quite as imperious that he should be the channel of intercourse." * * * * * * *

"While the committee fully sanction the conduct of the Governor in the special instance referred to, still the importance of the general principle involved, constrains them to announce the conclusion that the Legislature itself should determine upon the causes which should destroy, or in any manner affect, this intercommunication between the State and its confederates."

New England Humor.—As a specimen of many examples brought forward in a recent lecture upon the characteristics of New England humor the Boston Post quotes the following:—

"The lecturer was enforcing the idea that the sense of contrast and opposition of ideas was often reached through the effect of total and embarrassing disappointment in the expected point of a story. Of this kind, he said, was a question which was once elicited from a grave matter-of-fact old man in the town of Andover by an animated account of a fire in the neighborhood. As the usual occupants of the bar-room were sitting about the fire in the evening, each with his cigar and glass of suspicious looking liquor in his hand, there entered a farmer from the 'North Parish,' with the air of a man who had much on his mind to communicate. 'Ye'd ought to a'ben over to the 'North Parish' this morning,' said he; 'they was a little the wust fire, I guess, that they've hed for twenty year in Essex county. Pettingell's new barn's burnt down flatter'n Jerewsalem. Pettingell, he was off down to Newburyport with a lode o'hay, and they came a white owl and lit there on the end o' the barn. Well, that air wild Irish Paddy he's hed over there—I don't see no use o'having no sech good for-nothin' shoat reound—*he* went and got out Pettingell's ole king's arm to shoot him, jest to please the children, jest foolishness. Well, they expect some o' the waddin' went up into the barn winder, on's the hay; enny how'n 'bout half'n hour the barn bust out all in a life blaze, burnt up more'n twenty ton o' English hay, and much as sixteen or seventeen cows, and three o' Pettingell's horses—they didn't git out but jest one old critter, and he aint good for nothin'—burnt the rest on 'em all up clean. Pettingell, he got home rite in the middle on't; they aint no insurance, and he's most crazy 'bout it; he's ben a takin' on wuss than ever I see; I've ben up there a tryin' to cheer him up, but he feels draffle bad, I tell you.' When this circumstantial narrative was concluded there was a general silence—the result, probably, of sympathy for Mr. Pettingell, and of speculation, perhaps, upon the singularity of the accident which had led to his loss. After the lapse of several minutes, however, the pause was broken by a dull, frosty-faced old fellow, who had been staring intently at the coals ever since the speaker had finished. Looking up with an, as yet, unsatisfied expression of face, he inquired, 'Well, did they kill the owl?'"

National Parties.—The Cincinnati *Commercial* of Wednesday says:

We have, on former occasions, expressed the idea, that while it is conceded by all Doughfacedom, that the North can not constitute a national party without the assistance of the South, the South is fully competent to give nationality to an organization irrespective of any cooperation from the North. The Washington *Union* assumes the correctness of this idea in the following remark touching the candidates for the Speakership in Congress:

"The only *national men* running against the Democratic candidate in the House, are Southern Know Nothings, *who are abjured by their Northern allies*."

We too, have been amused at this peculiarity in the politics of the country. We have seen the South banded together, like a company of brothers, against the North, but no body ever thought there was any thing sectional about it. When the Southern Whigs in the winter of 1853-4, met together in caucus, and agreed to desert their brethren of the free States, and vote for the violation of the solemn compact of 1820, this was all right. Nobody raised a howl of sectionalism, because this came from the South. The North very properly regarded the repeal of the Missouri Compromise as a gross wrong and outrage and feel that they have a right to insist upon its restoration. If the North conclude to vote for some man for Speaker, or President, who agrees with them on this subject, all at once this becomes most obnoxious, outrageous sectionalism, and the Washington *Union* and all the cotton, pro-Slavery papers are ferocious about it. The *Union* is on the very brink of dissolution, and all because the North has become so *sectional*. But the members of Congress from the South can declare that they will vote for no man who asks for the restoration of the Missouri Compromise, and take the most ultra sectional position, and all the time they are "*national men*," friends of the Union, and bitterly opposed to this thing called *sectionalism*. If it were not serious, it would be intensely funny.—*Ohio State Journal*.

Pioneers for Kansas.—We are glad to hear that prompt and efficient steps are to be taken to organize a company of two hundred men for the purpose of emigrating to Kansas the moment their services shall be required to aid the people of that territory to defend their homes and firesides, and to protect their civil and political rights against the inroads of the ruthless gang of Stringfellow assassins, whose outrages they have so long endured. They will each be provided with a copy of Sharp's rifle—a document for which the cowardly ruffians stand in mortal fear,—and fixings to match. The gentlemen who have made the offer of $2,000 to defray their expenses were in earnest, and we have no doubt enough of our citizens will respond to the call to fill up the company without delay. There is a love of justice and a hatred of oppression, and violence, and wrong among our people which will prompt hundreds to volunteer their services in so righteous a cause.—*Detroit Trib.*

Shipment of State Arms.—The Harrisburg *Herald* mentions the arrest of two persons, one said to be a member of the Pennsylvania Legislature, on the charge of being concerned in shipping $1,800 worth of the State's muskets to New York, from whence it is supposed they were to be sent to Col. Kinney. The muskets have been recovered, having been seized in New York.

Burning of Bibles in Ireland.—An incident has occurred in the neighborhood of Dublin, the statement of which will probably be received by many of our readers with the incredulity with which we confess we at first received it. Unhappily, however, it appears to rest upon evidence too strong to permit us to doubt its truth. In the large and populous town of Kingstown, the port of the city of Dublin, on Monday, November 5, an act was committed by a gang of furious and bigoted monks, which would have disgraced the most priest-ridden country of Europe. The British public will learn with horror and indignation that there was held in the open day—we believe in the public streets, at all events in the public view—the blasphemous ceremonial of committing to flames a number of copies of the Bible!

It would appear that Kingstown has enjoyed the blessing of a visit from one of those itinerant companies of friars who have latterly been sent through Ireland upon missions, of which the character may be judged from the fact we are about to narrate. The company who performed at Kingstown, chose to designate themselves by the fantastic name of Redemptorist Fathers. On Monday last, animated probably by the spirit of the holy fathers who, just two hundred and fifty years before, had placed Guy Fawkes under the Parliament house—these furious friars, who dare to profane the sacred name of man's redemption, assembled in a public ceremonial in front of the Roman Catholic chapel of Kingstown, and in view of the passengers along the public highway, kindled in an open place a large fire, and publicly flung upon the flames a number of Bibles, which were consumed amid every mark of indignity which brutal bigotry could suggest.

An outrage more monstrous or more scandalous it is scarcely possible to conceive. Viewed in the very lowest light, as an insult to the religion of a large class of the population; it is, even in this aspect, a highly scandalous offence. What would be said if an Orange lodge had marched in public procession, and in a public place committed a papish missal to the flames? Even this is not a parallel case. What would be said if a Popish missal were burned in front of a Protestant cathedral by the clergy? The book which these gowned and hooded mendicants thus burned with insult is sacred in the eyes of millions of Protestants—nay, even the very men who burned it, acknowledge that it contained the word of God, whom they pretend to worship. They have, to be sure, the miserable excuse, that it is the authorised version of the Scriptures. But even they do not pretend that it is not substantially the book that contains the word of God.

And this book, sacred by their own confession, sacred, at all events, in the eyes of Protestants—the book from which many dwellers in the very locality of this outrage drew their consolation in life and their hopes in death—this book associated in their mind with the recollections of a mother's early teaching, and with all that is hallowed in the relations of life—this book, thus venerated by Protestants, these followers of the meek and lowly Redeemer, thus burned with contumely and insult!—*English Paper.*

Free Banking.—The charters of several of the old Banks of Virginia (most of which have branches), being about to expire, much discussion is arising as to the relative merits of the old system and the free banking system. The Richmond Enquirer takes ground in favor of the latter, and fortifies its position by two letters from George L. Sampson, Esq., Cashier of the Long Island Bank of Brooklyn. Mr. Sampson was formerly a merchant of Richmond, in high standing, and his opinions carry with them much weight. He thinks the features of the general banking law of New York good, with the exception of the authority to receive bonds and mortgages as a basis of circulation. Their value is always uncertain; they are not easily convertible; and have rarely ever brought the value of their face when a sale became necessary. He prefers State stocks as securities for circulating notes at their fair cash value, not to exceed par. Mr. S. is against the policy of branch banks. The practice of the banks in using the notes of distant branches makes the notes practically irredeemable, and always keeps them at a discount in other States.

The Emperor of France.—Faith in his star is his all-dominating conviction. Louis XI. had not firmer reliance on his leaden angels than has Louis Napoleon on a certain "lucky penny" he got from a Norwood Gipsey representing herself as the grand-dauhter of that singaro who foretold that Josephine would be an Empress.—Describing his acquisition of that enchanted coin, one day, shortly after his escape from Ham, when a very disconsolate looking man about town here, and being asked what he thought would become of him, he replied, he had not the smallest doubt the prediction of the fortune teller would be fulfilled, that he should become Emperor of the French, the arbiter of Europe, and—die by the hand of woman! How ridiculous, you exclaim. Well is it any more so than his whole career for the last seven years would have sounded if spoken of as a thing of possibility seven years ago.—*Liverpool Albion.*

Letter from Gen. Cass.—The following letter is addressed to several citizens of Detroit:

Detroit, Nov. 23d, '55.

Gentlemen:—I have received your letter asking me if I am a candidate for the office of President of the United States, and expressing the gratification it would give you to support me for that high station.

While thanking you for this manifestation of your kindness and confidence, of which I shall always preserve a grateful recollection, I reply that I am not a candidate for the Presidency, nor do I desire that my name should be presented in connection with it to the consideration of the Democratic party of the Union.

I am, gentlemen, with great regard, truly yours, Lewis Cass.

The Government of Nicaragua.—The *National Intelligencer*, Dec. 14, says:—Some curiosity has been excited in official and private circles respecting the probable course of our Government toward the new government of Nicaragua. The prevalent and probable opinion is that the Administration will not, in the present state of things, recognize Mr. Parker H. French, the new Nicaraguan Envoy to this country, in place of Mr Marcoleta. It is understood that instructions on the subject had gone out to Mr. Wheeler, our Minister at Nicaragua, not to recognize Gen. Walker's government, but they did not arrive in time. His premature action, therefore, will not be approved. It has been the policy of this country to recognize an existing government, but not in such hot haste as to preclude all preliminary inquiries as to the actual condition of a revolutionary government and its ability to maintain itself.

Drovers' Meeting.—The Drovers of Northern Ohio have recently held a meeting and appointed a Committee to obtain from the different Railroad Companies a tariff of rates they will charge for transportation of stock per car or one hundred for one year or more; also to devise some ways and means by which a correct report of the markets in New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore can be had, and to concert some measures by which the entire body of Cattle Brokers in New York can be dispensed with, and the owner and butcher be the only parties necessary to buy and sell Stock in the City.

Twenty-four prominent Stock men pledged themselves to abide by the decisions of the majority of the Stock men at a meeting to be held at a time and place to be designated by the Committee.

Expensive Insolence.—In the Crimea they have to employ death to cure the men in the French ranks of a disposition to sneer at the English and underrate them. A letter in the N. Y. Commercial states that lately a French soldier was shot by order of his commanding officer, some weeks since, for an insulting remark made by him to an English officer in regard to the Redan, and future reference to the matter was forbidden. Another, in passing an English sentinel, pointed at the Redan and said, "*Johnny no bono!*" Whereupon the sentinel *boned* him on the spot; in other words, he put a musket ball through him. The English gave him up to the French at once. They released him immediately—adjudging the soldier's punishment merited, severe as it was.

The Boston Post says, that Mr. Ericsson is still engaged in bringing his caloric engine to perfection. The perseverance of human nature, in many instances, is really astonishing.—When all the world supposed that the man who had expended the whole of his own fortune, likewise another of his wife, and the majority of his days, in the pursuit of a single object, that the human will would have been conquered, and the idea he sought to develope, abandoned. But such is not the case. The fortunes are spent; time has gone; health has been impaired; the man has been ridiculed and his schemes laughed at; notwithstanding which he ceases not to persevere.

"Civilization," says the Frankfort Post Gazette "requires that the lives and treasures of the nation should not be spent in vain. Such a war as that now waged can only be undertaken once in a century, and it must therefore be continued until the results are such that the necessity for another war shall be next to impossible. The right is on the side of the Western Powers, and in the opinion of the nations of Europe they are fully justified in taking advantage of it."

Expatriation of a Native American.—The custom-house officers were unpacking a bale of tobacco, in the bonded warehouse, Liverpool, when on removing the outer covering of raw ox-hide, they found a raccoon, thin, indeed, to emaciation, but still alive. It had existed for months, by nibbling at the raw ox-hide, which thus at once became its food and prison-house. It has since been allowed more generous fare and is rapidly recovering from the effects of its long and hungry confinement.—*Boston Post.*

The New York Tribune remarks:

"We understand that a railroad is building on Staten Island, and will be completed some time next summer. It is intended to run in connection with the Camden and Amboy line, and it is believed the running time between Philadelphia and New York will be considerably lessened. It is believed by the proposed railroad connection, the running time between the two great cities may be reduced to about two hours and a half."

Vacant Lands in Illinois.—The Springfield (Ill.) *Journal* says it is estimated that there are not now in the State of Illinois three hundred thousand acres of vacant lands. All the land offices in the State have been merged into the one in that city, except those of Danville and Vandalia; and we do not believe there are twenty thousand vacant acres in either of these.

A Metre.—The French divide a quadrant of the earth's circumference, or the distance from the equator to the pole, into ten equal parts for their unit of linear measure. This is the basis of their tables, and is termed a metre, being nearly equal to 39.38 inches of our measure.

Deceased.—Sidney C. Burton, the well known prosecuting witness in the noted Martha Washington (steam boat) case at the West, died at Cleveland on the 11th inst. It is suspected that he was poisoned.

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TIMOTHY SEED—2 bags prime in store, and for sale by ATWELL, LEE & CO.

CHESTNUTS—2 bbls in store and for sale by ATWELL, LEE & CO. de8

N. C. TAR—50 bbls N. C. Tar, large bbls, in store on consignment, for sale by ATWELL, LEE & CO.

NAILS—100 kgs assorted sizes, in store and for sale by ATWELL, LEE & CO. de8

CORN BROOMS—75 doz. Corn Brooms just received on consignment, and for sale by ATWELL, LEE & CO. de8

WOOL—The highest market price in cash paid by SPRINGER HARBAUGH, No. 295 Liberty st. de8

HIDES—60 dry and 55 green Hides just rec'd and for sale by SPRINGER HARBAUGH.

DRY APPLES—30 bushels prime in store and for sale by SPRINGER HARBAUGH. de8

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR—3000 lbs. in store and for sale by SPRINGER HARBAUGH. de8

TEA—75 chests Y H. Imp and Blk Teas; 100 ¼ and 6 lb bxs Y H Teas, in store and for sale by T. LITTLE & CO., 112 2d st. de7

WINDOW GLASS—100 boxes 8-10 country, just rec'd and for sale by McCANDLESS, MEANS & CO.

APPLES—100 bbls. Green Apples rec'd and for sale by J. B. CANFIELD. de5

LINSEED OIL—10 bbls. in store and for sale by J. B. CANFIELD. de5

PEARL ASH—30 casks in store and for sale by J. B. CANFIELD. de5

DRIED PEACHES—30 sacks just rec'd and for sale by J. B. CANFIELD. de5

BUTTER—10 bbls. prime Roll, and 20 boxes do do in store and for sale by J. B. CANFIELD.

HOT AIR REGISTERS, every size and style at WILLIAMS & ALLEN, 25 Market st. de5

JAVA COFFEE—109 pockets "Old Government" Java Coffee, for sale by SHRIVER & DILWORTH. de11

DRIED PEACHES—23 bbls bright halves rec'd and for sale by McBANE & ANJER. de11

SPONGES—A large assortment of fine Sponges just rec'd by JOS. FLEMING.

CONCENTRATED PRUSSIC ACID—I have just rec'd a supply of Turnbull's Concentrated Prussic Acid; also, a supply of all his celebrated preparations, Eye Bottles, &c. JOS. FLEMING. de10

RICE—20 tcs prime new Rice on hand, and for sale by SHRIVER & DILWORTH. de11

COFFEE—350 bags prime Rio Coffee for sale by SHRIVER & DILWORTH. de11

TAR—50 bbls Wilmington Tar for sale by SHRIVER & DILWORTH. de11

OIL—50 bbls pure Tanners Oil for sale by SHRIVER & DILWORTH. de11

SHOT—20 kegs assorted Shot for sale by SHRIVER & DILWORTH. de11

BI CARBONATE SODA—85 kegs Bi Carbonate Soda for sale by SHRIVER & DILWORTH. de11

SALARATUS—100 boxes pure Saleratus; 15 bbls Soda Saleratus, for sale by SHRIVER & DILWORTH. de11

GOLDEN SYRUP—50 bbls. Golden Syrup, for sale by SHRIVER & DILWORTH. de11

EXTRA FAMILY FLOUR—300 bbls choice Ohio brands, in store, and for sale by McBANE & ANJER, No. 114, Second street. de11

BALM OF A 1000 FLOWERS—I have just rec'd another supply of this celebrated article. JOS. FLEMING, cor. Market st. and Diam'd. de10

LARD OIL—30 bbls. No. 1, 25 boxes Star Candles, for sale by J. SCHOONMAKER CO., No. 13 Wood st. de3

WHITE BEANS—20 bus rec'd and for sale by McBANE & ANJER. de11

RYE FLOUR—70 bbls for sale by McBANE & ANJER. de11

ONIONS—30 sacks just rec'd and for sale by J. B. CANFIELD. de5

CASTOR OIL—10 bbls. now crop, just rec'd and for sale by R. E. SELLERS & CO., corner of Wood and Second sts. de5

SENECA OIL—5 bbls. for sale by R. E. SELLERS & CO. de3

JUNIPER BERRIES, fresh, just rec'd and for sale by R. E. SELLERS & CO. de5

CHERRY PECTORAL—5 gross for sale by R. E. SELLERS & CO. de5

LYON'S KATHAIRON—5 gross for sale by R. E. SELLERS & CO. de5

BARRY'S TRICOPHEROUS—5 gross for sale by R. E. SELLERS & CO. de3

ROGER'S LIVERWORT TAR, AND CANCHALAGUA—100 dozen for sale by R. E. SELLERS & CO. de3

ALCOHOL—10 bbls for sale by R. E. SELLERS & CO. de5

BROOMS—100 dos just rec'd and for sale by J. B. CANFIELD. de6

LAKE FISH—50 bbls White Fish; 50 half bbls White Fish; 50 half bbls Trout; 60 bbls Trout, just rec'd and for sale by J. B. CANFIELD.

MACKEREL—100 bbls No 3 large; 100 ½ do do do, just rec'd and for sale by J. B. CANFIELD. de6

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR—300 sacks, 50 lbs. each, just received and for sale by McCANDLESS, MEANS & CO. de4

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR—60 sacks for sale, by SMITH, MAIR & HUNTER. de4

FEATHERS—6 sacks just rec'd and for sale by McCANDLESS, MEANS & CO. de4

CHEESE—A small lot just rec'd and for sale by McCANDLESS, MEANS & CO. de4

ROLL BUTTER—1 box prime Roll Butter just rec'd and for sale by McCANDLESS, MEANS & CO.

NEW LACE SETTS; Honiton do; Beautiful Embroidered Hdkfs, Collars and Sleeves, in great variety, at D. AHL, Jr., & BROS. no27

HIDES—70 dry and 56 green Hides in store and for sale by SPRINGER HARBAUGH, No. 295 Liberty st. de30

FLOUR—200 bbls. Tunnel Mills on wharf, 200 do. City Mills Hope, to arrive. DAVID C. HERBST, corner Liberty and Hand st. de4

PENN. BLOOMS—100 tons in store and for sale by ISAIAH DICKEY & CO. de12

STRAINED HONEY—5 bbls. in store and for sale by ISAIAH DICKEY & CO. de12

PENN. FLOUR—400 sacks in store and for sale by ISAIAH DICKEY & CO. de12

200 BBLS Ext. Family Flour, (Hoosier; 200 do do do (Shelbyville); 100 do do do (Weber) for sale by WALLACE & GARDINER. de12

FOR SALE—Pew No. 120 in the First Presbyterian Church, in this city. Price $200. Enquire of W. H. DENNY.

PHILADELPHIA SYRUP—100 bbls Philadelphia S. H. Syrup, for sale by SHRIVER & DILWORTH. de11

GROUND NUTS—30 sacks now landing from steamer Sam Young for sale by ISAIAH DICKEY & CO. de11

CONCENTRATED LYE—A new article for making soap; one pound worth ten of common Potash, for sale by FLEMING BROS.