

THE PRIZE FIGHT—DEFEAT OF YANKEE SULLIVAN.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 8.—9 o'clock, A. M.

The fight between Hyer and Sullivan took place last evening, about five o'clock, on Rock Point, in Kent county, ten miles below Pool's Island. There were but sixteen rounds fought, occupying twenty-one minutes. Sullivan had the advantage on the first three rounds, and knocked Hyer down on the third round, which was the only leveler that occurred. The blow inflicted was a severe one in the neck. Hyer drew the first blood from Sullivan, and on the fifteenth round wrenched his right arm. Both of Hyer's eyes were bruised, and Sullivan's right eye was terribly hurt. Hyer, on the sixteenth round, caught Sullivan's head under his arm and punished him until he was satisfied that he was done for, and then dropped him. Sullivan was then forcibly taken from the ring by his friends, his face presenting the appearance of a butcher's block. Hyer claiming the victory, as he did not come up again in time. It was terribly cold, and both suffered from it, as well as from the race they had from the authorities during the day. The struggle was nearly a continued fight.

There were but few spectators to witness the brutal exhibition. There is a dispute between the judges and referees, but there seems to be no dispute as to the fact that Hyer was too much for Sullivan.

Soon after the parties left the ground, Hyer proceeded to Frenchtown in his boat. He is not much disfigured about the face, except the disfigurement of his right eye.

The steambot Boston, with the military on board, is still ashore on Pool's Island.

Further particulars of the \$10,000 Prize Fight—The result—Incidents—Arrest of the Seconds—Sullivan not Expected to live!

BALTIMORE, Feb. 8.—A. M.

This shameful affair is settled, despite the efforts of the police to the contrary. Hyer and Sullivan having been tracked to and surprised at Pools Island by a large police force, headed by the sheriff, succeeded in boiling the officers and went to Rock Point, which is about twelve miles below, on the Eastern Shore of Maryland. The ground was selected by the Seconds, and at a few minutes after 4 o'clock all the arrangements were completed, and the two men stepped into the ring ready for action—each confident of his superior powers.

Sullivan was over sanguine and wasted his strength in expectation of making a short fight of it. During the first one or two rounds he struck some tremendous blows, but they did not seem to tell. On the third round he made a slight feint and fetched Hyer a heavy blow on the left temple, which laid him flat. In an instant Hyer rallied with much determination, striking Sullivan over the mazzard and throwing him on the ropes. He recovered before he fell, and as he came up he got a blow between the two eyes which shut the left one. This disconcerted him and he began to fail—Hyer perceiving this kept him up to quick time, dealing heavy blows about his head.

On the last round Sullivan came up slowly, evidently bewildered, and received a blow on the face which lifted him entirely off his feet. He fell to the ground, striking his head severely, like a sack of sand, and was picked up by his second in a state of insensibility and completely blinded with blood! Restoratives were applied, and in a few minutes the parties left in their boat. Sullivan had to be carried off by his friends. Hyer left for Frenchtown. He did not appear to be much hurt, though his face was covered with blood.

What may appear amusing, the owner of the ground on which the fight took place had left home on the previous day to go to Baltimore to see the sport.

DISCOVERY OF A NEW MOUNTAIN PASS.—A Texan hunter gives the following account of a new pass through the great chain of mountains which traverse the continent:

He states, according to the Houston Telegraph, that there is a broad pass between the vast ranges of the Anahole Mountains on the south and the Rocky Mountains or Cordilleras of the north, that extends quite across the continent, from the valley of the Rio Grande to the valley of the Rio Hualqui. This pass, he says, resembles the Southwest pass discovered by Fremont, and the ascent to the summit of the table lands of Mexico is so gradual that it appears like an extended plain, and carriages and loaded wagons can pass from the valley of the Rio Grande to the valley of the Hualqui as easily as they can pass over the undulating prairies of western Texas. The distance from one valley to the other he estimates at only five hundred miles. The pass, he says, about in the latitude of twenty-nine degrees extends between the valley of Monclova and the Coches.

A Mr. Baldwin, of London, has discovered a method by which even the thinnest paper may be split, without injury to the parts. The Directors of the Bank of England, to test his skill, recently submitted to his operations an old bank note of very thin paper, which was returned the next day split perfectly, without the slightest injury to the parts. Mr. Baldwin refused to give any information about the process by which it was accomplished.

A VAPOR BATH for persons ill in bed, is easily prepared by wrapping a small lump of unbleached linen, in a very damp towel, and this in a dry one. A copious and humid vapor is disengaged, producing a free perspiration.

BRANDY PEACHES.—An exciting question has been raised by a correspondent of the N. Y. Tribune—"Can a person who has taken the total pledge, eat brandy peaches and drink the syrup consistently with his obligation?"

Miss ELIZABETH BLACKWELL has received the diploma of M. D. at the Geneva Medical College. On receiving it she is reported to have said "I thank you, sir. With the help of the Mass High, it shall be the effort of my life to shed honor on this diploma."

Our most perfect comets are like birds of Paradise, which if once they fall to the earth, are as soon as they can be seen.



THE AMERICAN SUNBURY.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1860.

H. B. MASSER, Editor and Proprietor.

Persons indebted to the office of the American up to April 1848, are notified to make final settlement with H. B. Masser, in whose hands the books of the late firm are left for collection.

REMOVAL.—We have removed our office to the white frame building, recently occupied by Dr. J. B. Masser in Market Street nearly opposite the Post Office, where we shall be happy to see all our friends and patrons, and as many new subscribers as can conveniently enter, single file, between this and next Christmas.

The first room below will be occupied as a law and editorial office, from whence we shall endeavor to dispense legal, as well as political opinions, that will be satisfactory to our trust, to the candid and liberal mind of all parties, especially to the winning party.

OUR NEW SIGN.—Having removed our office, we have thought proper to procure a new sign, with the portrait of Franklin, the distinguished representative of the art in this country, in the center. On the back ground is a Printing Press—the Pennsylvania Coat of Arms—a Globe—Telescope, books, inkstand, &c. The design is a good one and has been well executed by the artist, Mr. Hillen of New Berlin. We trust the "outward sign" will prove a token of good works within, and become profitable, pecuniarily as well as otherwise, to ourselves as well as our readers and patrons.

The Superintendent of the Common Schools, at the request of the Legislature has reported the amount due to certain non-accepting school districts, on the first day of November 1845. The whole amount due the different non-accepting districts in the State is \$297,772 85.

We find the following sums due the non-accepting districts in this County, viz:

Coal (South)	\$168.92
Jackson	1,923.30
Little Mahony	451.97
Upper do	2,838.10
Lower do	2,794.20
	\$8,176.49

This now amounts to a handsome sum and would be sufficient to build a number of excellent school houses if the districts could manage to get possession of it.

OUR SENATOR AND THE ERIE AND OHIO RAIL ROAD.

It is with feelings of regret and mortification that we are obliged to refer to the course of Robert M. Frick, our Senator, in relation to this important improvement. Our readers will recollect, that in opposing the election of Mr. Frick, we stated that there were important improvements, in which we were interested, that required the services of a capable and experienced Senator. We referred at the time to the Railroad from this place to Harrisburg to connect with the road from that place to York, now in progress, which would connect us with Baltimore by Railroad. This once accomplished, the railroad to Pottsville would soon follow. After which the great Railroad project from this place to Erie would not long slumber. Although we were aware that Mr. Frick could not aid us in accomplishing these important measures, we did not expect that he would directly oppose them, by lending himself to that huge corporation, the mis-called Central Rail Road, that has been brought into existence to ruin our main line of canal, and thus increase the state taxes of our already overburdened citizens. This corporation and its friends, having refused to secure the immense trade of the lakes, by a road to Erie, have got up a bill to repeal a law, authorizing the people of Erie to make a road Westward into Ohio; and in favor of this wicked and most unrighteous bill, Mr. Frick has voted, in opposition to nineteen-twentieths of his constituents, at least from Northumberland County. But probably Mr. Frick does not consider himself a Representative for this county. They know that Erie is probably the most important harbor on the Lake, and that it is entitled by every sense of justice to an outlet for its trade. Philadelphia, though unwilling to secure this great trade herself, is determined that no one else shall, and insists on the repeal of this bill, because New York will be benefited. Can any thing be more unjust. The Senator from Erie, Mr. Ball says they are determined to make the road, repeal or no repeal, and that one of its citizens, worth two and a half millions, will devote nearly the whole of his means to the work. Let it be done, and Philadelphia will find that after wasting her energies in the Central Road, she must make the Sunbury and Erie road in self-defence. Hundreds of patriotic Whigs who voted with reluctance for Robert M. Frick, on the grounds of electing a U. S. Senator, will regret that they aided in electing a Senator to misrepresent us.

An extract of the report of the Erie and Ohio Rail Road Co., will be found in another column.

THE PRIZE FIGHT.—The cities of New York Philadelphia and Baltimore, have been, during the last week, laboring under a great degree of excitement. The fight that came off between Yankee Sullivan, and Tom Hyer, both celebrated pugilists from New York, had for a time, completely eclipsed the California Gold mania. Yankee Sullivan is an Irishman who never was whipped before. Hyer is an American, a most powerful and athletic man. Though Sullivan had more science, as it is termed, he was no match for the powerful and active frame of the American pugilist. In another column our readers will find an account of the fight. The Governor of Maryland has made a requisition for the arrest of the parties concerned in this disgraceful transaction. Hyer has been arrested and taken to Baltimore. Sullivan made his escape down one pair of stairs as the officer was going up another, in his tavern at New York.

In consequence of making preparations for the removal of our office, we have been obliged to curtail our editorial and other matters, this week.

A WORK FOR EVERY BODY.—V. B. Palmer's Business Men's Almanac for 1849. Under the above title, Mr. V. B. Palmer of Philadelphia, has published a most valuable little work that should be in the hands of every one that values useful information condensed in a small space. The Almanac contains 64 closely printed pages and all for 12 cents. A few copies can be had at the Store of H. Masser. Among others, there are Articles or Tabular Statements on the Tariff, the Coal Trade, Railroads, the Postoffice, Rules for Business-Men, Partnership Laws, the Iron Trade, Population, Patent Laws, Mechanical Inventions, Routes and Distances, the Newspaper Press, &c., and Systematic Advertising.

Officers for 1849.—President—John C. Cresson. Managers—James Dundas, Wm. Richardson, Adam Everly, Samuel Mason, John Liverzey, Edward Lowber, Jeremiah Hacker, Joseph Cresson, Mordecai L. Lawlor, Jacob O. Ewing.

Secretary and Treasurer—Samuel Mason.

[Correspondence of the Public Ledger] FROM HARRISBURG, FEB. 10, 1849.

DEAR SIRS:—We have had a singular session this day. Not much was done, but a great deal said—indeed, that had better have been left unsaid. The bill to repeal the Ohio and Erie Railroad, was the topic of the day, and Philadelphia and Erie shivered lances against each other in a most furious tilt. Immediately after the reading of the Journal, Mr. Swartzwelder, of Pottsville, moved to suspend the orders of the day for the purpose of taking up the bill to repeal the charter of the Erie and Ohio Railroad. The yeas and nays were called upon this, and resulted—68 yeas to 18 nays.

Mr. Ball, of Erie, then took the floor, and in a most deliberate, emphatic, and solemn manner, entered his protest against the repeal. He warned the House of the probable consequences. He declared, that let the action of the Legislature be what it might, the Railroad would nevertheless be made. The people of Erie county had pledged themselves to each other, to stand shoulder to shoulder and purse to purse, and complete this improvement. They conceived they had the right, and they would exercise the right to make the road, on their own soil and with their own money, and not all the power of the Legislature nor of the State could prevent it. They were ready to abide all the consequences—ready to resist, if needs be, any effort to compel them to desist from carrying into effect the law now about to be in such hot haste repealed. It might be that citizens of the Commonwealth, from other sections, would be sent among them to force compliance with this mandate of Philadelphia and the Central Railroad. But the people of Erie county had made their determination, and would be ready to meet the issue in any shape it might be presented. They were a quiet, sober, law-abiding community—such was their known character—and deep would be the responsibility of those who forced them to assume any other character, by thus tramping upon their rights, and sacrificing them, not to the preservation of the interests of the State, but to local, sectional, and rival prosperity.

Mr. McCalmont followed on the same side. He deprecated the manner in which the bill was being hurried through the House; before it was even printed, and members had an opportunity of examining it, or the bill it proposed to repeal. He spoke of the interests of the Northwestern section of the State as having continually met the opposition of Philadelphia, and alluded with alarm to the growing influence of the Central Railroad Corporation, for the benefit of which pampered monopoly there was danger that the interests of every section of the State would be successively sacrificed.

Mr. Swartzwelder said that in making his motion he had not expected to start so violent a discussion.

Mr. Smith, went into a recapitulation of the arguments in favor of the repeal; but as they have already been so often given in the Philadelphia press during the discussion in the Senate, I shall not repeat them.

Mr. McCalmont made some further observations in opposition to the repeal; and then followed by Mr. Ball in a speech "against time," occupying over an hour and a half, in opposition to the repeal. It was an odd medley, and varied most truly "from grave to gay, from lively to severe." He said a great many good things and some very dull ones. He was very severe on Philadelphia, and especially upon Philadelphia bidders, one of whom he characterized as "the spectacles of the Central Railroad." He dipped into the Bible, talked about the Indian wars, exoriated Mr. Tyson for saying that "Erie was the gate of the Lakes, and the gate must be kept closed," said that Philadelphia thought Erie the chimney top of Pennsylvania—a kind of devil's play ground, &c.

Mr. Ball talked until the hour of one arrived, when the Committee of the Whole rose, and on the question, "shall the committee have leave to sit again till the yeas were 39, the yeas 48.

The friends of repeal voted yep, and those opposed voted nay. This is too close for comfort. Five votes of a change would defeat the repeal.

The friends of the North Branch have no disposition to abandon the original bill for its completion. It will be urged through, with out regard to the bill for the bank loan of two millions. The North Branch is able to stand upon its own merits, and there is no occasion to link it with any other measure.

THE BATTLES IN MEXICO.—A writer in the Charleston Courier draws a variety of comparisons as to the numbers, relative strength, &c., of the opposing parties in the battles of the Mexican War. If we compare the loss with the numbers engaged in the different battles, he says the numbers will stand thus:

Worth's loss was	1 for every 4
Taylor's loss at Buena Vista	1 " 7
Scott's loss at Cerro Gordo	1 " 20
" at Churubusco & Contreras	1 " 8
" in battles Sept 12, 13, & 14	1 " 7

At those of Palo Alto, Resaca and Monterey, about 1 " 12

Another view is presented, in the comparison of the American with the Mexican force:

Taylor, at Buena Vista, fought	1 to 4
Taylor, Palo Alto and Resaca	1 " 3
Taylor, at Monterey, fought	2 " 23
Scott, at Cerro Gordo, fought	1 " 2
Scott, at Churubusco and Contreras	1 " 4
Worth, at Molina	1 " 4
Scott, on the 12th, 13th and 14th, estimated	1 " 6

Another comparison is to be found in the position. In all the battles, except Palo Alto and Buena Vista, the Americans were the assaulting party, and the Mexicans had choice of position, and there is no instance where the most experienced General could have chosen better. This strength of position was more the occasion of the immense loss at Molina, than the great disproportion in numbers.

INCREASE OF THE TOWN OF READING.—There were 348 houses built in the town of Reading during last year. Of the above 77 are three-story brick houses, 75 frame buildings, and the majority of the remainder two-story brick dwellings. An evidence of prosperity that is quite gratifying.

SUNDAY LIQUOR SELLING.—A petition, signed by 15,000 citizens of New York, asking for the suppression of the sale of liquor on the Sabbath, has been presented to the Mayor of New York.

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CALIFORNIA GOLD! DISCOVERED BY SIGNOR D'ALVEAR'S GOLDMETER! THE GOLD SEEKER'S GUIDE!

Secret Art of finding Mines of Gold, Silver, Iron, Lead, Copper, Coal, and other Minerals.

THE first discovery of Gold in California was made by DON JOSE D'ALVEAR, an eminent Spanish Geologist, Chemist, &c. Natural Philosopher, by means of a newly invented Magnetic instrument, called THE GOLDMETER or GOLD SEEKER'S GUIDE!

Signor D'Alvear has just arrived at New York, from the Gold regions of California, by way of Panama, Chagres, and New Orleans, bringing with him a very large quantity of Gold ore, valued at nearly one million of Dollars, which he collected there, long before the existence of the Gold mania was known to the residents of California generally.

HISTORY OF THE DISCOVERY! Signor D'Alvear went out to California nearly two years ago, in consequence of certain information he had received of the geological character of that country, with the firm belief that vast mines of precious metal would be revealed there upon careful investigation. He was encouraged to this enterprise, also by his confidence in the powers of a certain Magnetic instrument which he had invented, called the "Goldmeter," by which he expected to be directed at once to the "Gold Placers," if any such existed. Nor were his expectations disappointed. His scientific calculations proved to be found in truth and profound wisdom, and his new instrument, the "Goldmeter," failed him in his latest hopes. In less than two months after reaching California, he struck upon one of the richest gold mines in that country, upon one of the highest peaks of the Sierrita range in a gorge of hills extremely rocky and difficult of access, and seldom visited by the native Californians. During his object under the guidance of pure scientific research, he obtained the aid of some ten or twenty simple and faithful Indians, and steadily pursued his task, collecting often more than \$2,000 worth of gold in a single day, which he concealed in a deep ravine, without exciting any suspicion of the instrument, and the "Gold Placer," at Captain Sutter's Mill, when the mountains were ransacked by gold seekers, and Signor D'Alvear's "gold placer," the richest in all California, was lost with greedy adventurers. It is now found that the real mines or sources of the gold, lie in the bowels of the mountains, and not in the beds or sands of the rivers. Previous to leaving California, Signor D'Alvear sold his instrument, the Goldmeter, a very imperfect one, for \$3,000. The person who purchased it confidently expected to make a handsome fortune, by simply finding "gold placers," and selling out the right of digging to the gold workers.

MANUFACTURE OF THE GOLDMETER. PUBLICATION OF THE GUIDE.

Signor D'Alvear, in compliance with the request of numerous scientific gentlemen, has commenced the manufacture of his new Magnetic instrument, the Goldmeter, which he now offers for sale, in the United States at the remarkably low price of \$9 each, accompanied by full instructions for use, and a variety of philosophical hints drawn from the ancient and modern sciences or the ARTS OF FINDING MINES OF GOLD!

Silver, Platinum, Quicksilver, Coal, Iron, Copper, Lead, and other Minerals, the whole being given in a publication called the GOLD SEEKER'S GUIDE!

This new work, and the Goldmeter, are both now ready for sale, and will be sent by express, on receipt of the price. The Goldmeter is so simple an instrument, that a child may learn to operate with it in five minutes. It is not affected by climate, moisture, or any other known cause, (except the natural magnetism) and will retain its power of pointing out mineral riches in its operation, for any number of years. By the aid of the Guide any person may use the instrument at once, with perfect success.

FARMERS AND LAND OWNERS. Farmers and Land Owners throughout the United States, who have reason to suspect the existence of any kind of Mineral riches upon their lands, should avail themselves of this opportunity to test that fact by the surest of all known tests, before the abundance of discoveries in all parts of the country shall have lessened this source of wealth in their hands.

ADVENTURERS TO CALIFORNIA. Persons going to California cannot make a better investment than by purchasing one of these instruments, which will not only be worth fifty times its value there, to sell again, but will be of inestimable worth to those who go in search of Gold, as it has been proved by the most abundant and successful results of its use, that it is the best and most reliable instrument for the purpose.

TESTIMONIALS. Signor D'Alvear does not deem it necessary to enumerate this notice with a long list of testimonials, in proof of the value of his GOLDMETER or GOLD SEEKER'S GUIDE. The following are a few of the most valuable and reliable results of his labors in California, and the discovery this very week, of fresh veins of Gold in Virginia and beds of Coal in Rhode Island, which, if true, are alone sufficient to stamp it as the greatest discovery of the age. Nothing but the extreme eagerness of the public to obtain it, could have caused it to be so long in the hands of the public, and it is used for the benefit of mankind, induces him to dispose of it at the low price of which he offers it. Besides this, his own desire for wealth is nearly satisfied.

The following Testimonials, in proof of the value of the Goldmeter, which he now offers for sale, are equally satisfactory, must suffice for the purpose for the present:

Astoria, N. Y., Dec. 21, 1848. The undersigned, having this day witnessed the practical operation of Signor Jose D'Alvear's GOLDMETER or GOLD SEEKER'S GUIDE, and having been fully satisfied that it possesses the extraordinary power of detecting Mineral ores hidden beneath the surface of the earth, and have no doubt that it will prove invaluable aid in the discovery of the Mineral resources of the United States and the world.

Los Angeles, California, Aug. 1848. This may certify that the undersigned is fully conversant with the use of the Goldmeter, and is a discoverer of the Gold deposits of California, and that this discovery was made by the aid of a Magnetic instrument called the Goldmeter, which I have been successfully applied to the discovery of veins of Gold ore, places where indications of the earth.

Lieut. 3d Artillery, U. S. Army, NO AGENTS. In consequence of the difficulty of finding faithful agents, and of preventing frauds, where articles of this nature are sent out for general sale, Signor D'Alvear has determined to send his works or instruments unless ordered by letters sent directly to him, when the desired publication, or instrument, will be forwarded under his signature and seal, so that all doubt as to its genuineness may be removed.

BEWARE OF ALL IMITATIONS of this Instrument which may hereafter appear, as the secret of imparting the Gold Detecting power is known to no person whatever, except the original inventor.

THE GOLDMETER and GOLD SEEKER'S GUIDE will both be sent by mail, closely enveloped and sealed, and heretofore, not subject to inspection by Post-masters for the sum of THREE DOLLARS, sent post paid to SIGNOR JOSE D'ALVEAR, Box 2718, New York City. The instrument is very light, and the Guide is printed on small paper, so that the charge by mail or express will be very small to any part of the United States. The Price of the GOLD SEEKER'S GUIDE alone, is ONE DOLLAR, sent as above. Address.

SIGNOR JOSE D'ALVEAR, Box 2718, New York City. OFFICE for the sale of the GOLD SEEKER'S GUIDE and GOLDMETER, No. 38 Centre Street, New York City, where visitors may see several cases of California Gold, in the rough state, as extracted by Signor D'Alvear from the Sacramento Mines, and also witness the operation of the Goldmeter, when held within the Magnetic influence of the precious metal, and witnessing manner in which it indicates the presence of that and other metallic substances.

February 17th, 1849.

Notice. THE public are hereby notified that I have purchased at Constable sale, on the 10th of February, 1849, the following articles sold as the property of Abraham Ruch, and that I have loaned him the said articles until I see proper to remove them:

12 Acres of Wheat and Rye (more or less) in the ground, \$25 00
One Wagon, 11 00
One gray Horse, 20 00
One dark gray Horse, 50 00

DANIEL KEIFFER, Up Augusta stp, Feb. 17, 1849—21

WINDOW GLASS, 8 by 10, for sale by HENRY MASSER, Feb. 17, 1849—16

Assignees' Sale OF THE FAXINOS FURNACE. (By Adjudgment.)