

Accident on the Ohio and Pennsylvania Railroad.

On Monday evening, the 21st ult., as the Fast Express Train from Pittsburgh to Cincinnati was turning a curve near Darlington, Pa., a frightful collision took place between this and the freight train going East.

Near to these, but on the other side of the cars, stood a brave man—Matthew Kolt—one leg broken and his right arm held firmly beneath the heavy timbers of the bottom of the baggage car, resting upon the front of the second passenger car.

One poor man, whose throat had been cut either by a splinter or by broken glass, was laid upon the floor of the car, and afterwards propped upon two or three seats, but his sufferings did not last long—he breathed through the cut in his throat for an hour or so and then lay still in death.

Correspondence of The N. Y. Tribune.

From Kansas.

Sr. Louis, Wednesday, Dec. 12, 1855. I have just arrived here by the Martha Jewett. On Friday last 100 armed ruffians left Westport for Lawrence, and on Sunday 100 more.

Two thousand men were said to be rendezvoused at Rickpaw. I saw some of these brave defenders of the right and "law and order" on route, and from my knowledge of the border counties of Missouri, I can testify there were not ten slaveholders in each 100 of them.

I am here, thank God, where I can at least write the truth. But do not think I have fled my friends. I came on business of the Territory, and having perfected my arrangements, leave to-morrow for Jefferson City, thence to Lawrence.

A FREE-STATE SETTLER.

SUNDAY WORK.—In Mifflin county, recently, a Justice of the Peace summarily convicted a number of persons for an infraction of the Sunday Law, in doing the work necessary to keep in blast the anthracite furnace of Eiting, Graft & Co.

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THE AGITATOR.

M. H. COBB, EDITOR.

WELLSBOROUGH, PA. Thursday Morning, Jan. 17, 1856.

Republican Nominations.

For President in 1856: Hon. SALMON P. CHASE, of Ohio. For Vice-President: Hon. DAVID WILMOT, of Penn'a.

Gov. BIGLAK has received the nomination for U. S. Senator, and is probably elected.

Big Snow.—During Saturday night and Sunday snow fell in this region some 20 inches in depth.

The Editor of the M'Kean Citizen brags lustily of dining off a fat goose New-Year day. The joke of the thing is, that he imagines it was a present to him!

Mr. I. M. RUCKMAN commences a Writing-school on Monday evening next, at the District School House in this village.

HYGIENIC REGULATIONS FOR JANUARY.—As it is not an eagle to wear much clothing, especially at balls and parties, a large quantity of fat meats—pork, is fattest and therefore best—should be eaten every day.

A word about the pay-down system: we confidently expect our friends in the various sections of the county to exert themselves to keep up the circulation of the paper in their districts.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.—JOK. Your communication was received and laid away for publication; but a press of business caused us to forget it until the influx of Messages crowded everything out.

"Order Reigns in Warsaw"

"How d'yo do, neighbor Jones?" "Quite well, I thank you."

That was meant to startle listening Europe. The streets of the fated city were crammed with dead. The noblest blood of Poland ran like water.

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to be longer incredulous is to disbelieve in the face of evidence. It was not a great deed, truly; but it was characteristic of the man—such a deed as our innocent boy-President might have performed with little damage pecuniarily or intellectually.

Aside from the portions of the Message published last week, it is a palpable and open bid for the Southern vote—such as a special pleader might get up. The North is made responsible for all the trouble relating to Slavery.

The treason of Hon. H. M. Fuller is being quite severely censured by the Republican press. Still, there are a few papers hitherto supposed to be anti-slavery extension in politics, which have suddenly discovered that Mr. Fuller has acted in obedience to the will of his constituents.

We had counted the Pittston Gazette as a Republican paper hitherto, and most certainly it has maintained that reputation for a year past.

We have received a letter from a gentleman of character and standing, who resided in Luzerne and voted for Mr. Fuller. He states that Fuller was advocated and elected on the Anti-Nebraska issue.

But the Wilkesbarre Times assumes that Fuller has properly represented the sentiment in his District. The Times knows better than that. We hope, and we can't help but think that, Mr. Wright.

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gives abundant promise. And here let us say that those who complain that Pennsylvania has no able paper at the Capital, if you want such a paper extend to it your patronage.

Life Illustrated continues to multiply its attractions. The last number has an interesting sketch of the Esquimaux, their character and habits.

New Arrangement.

After the 15th of February, 1856, the AGITATOR will be published on the pay-down system. The system will be rigidly adhered to.

A number of considerations have contributed to the adoption of this system at the present time. It is incumbent upon every individual to pay his honest debts; and, with proper economy, every man ordinarily can do this, provided always, that he receives for his labor, value received.

City papers have adopted the pay-down system almost universally, and with the happiest results. It always proves two things: how many of the patrons of a paper are earnestly in favor of holding the laborer as "worthy of his hire," and how many wish to aid in the support of their country paper.

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We do not expect to retain all our old subscribers, but anticipate no great falling off. It is believed that the pay-down system is just to both patron and printer.

It is desirable that all subscriptions to this paper should expire on the 1st of January of each year. Thus every man will have a set time to pay for his paper.

The following named gentlemen are authorized to collect dues and receive subscriptions for the Agitator. Their receipts will be regarded as payments.

- Wm. GARRETTON.....Tiooga. J. B. POTTER.....Middlebury Center. G. STANTON.....Lawrenceville. Dr. J. C. WHITTAKER.....Elkland. JOHN SERRA.....Liberty. O. F. TAYLOR.....Covington. VICTOR CASE.....Knoxville. W. W. McDUGALL.....Shippen. ISAAC FLANK.....Brookfield. JNO. JAMES.....Blossburg. C. F. CULVER.....Oseola. O. H. BLANCHARD.....Nelson. E. A. FISH.....Mainburg. SAMUEL PHILLIPS.....Westfield. Wm. H. JOHNSON.....Duggett's Mills. A. BARKER.....Ogdensburg.

A singular accident took place at the residence of one of our citizens a day or two since. Two of the servant girls on retiring at night, turned off the gas in their room.

At four o'clock the next morning another servant, who slept in a remote part of the house, arose to call them, and attempted to light a lamp to go to their room with, but after using up the few matches she had without procuring light, she abandoned the attempt and went to their room in the dark.

On opening the door the effect of the vapor was overpowering; and had she carried a light a terrible explosion and conflagration might have ensued. The two girls were found almost in the agonies of death, and we learn that the medical adviser of the family was in attendance until noon that day, constantly to work in his efforts to reanimate them.

A frightful accident occurred on the Hudson River Railroad on Wednesday afternoon, near Poughkeepsie. From some cause the Express train from Albany to N. Y., was stopped by a signal of danger, and while standing still, was run into by the way train from Poughkeepsie, which had started out only five minutes after the Express.

Communications.

Our New York Correspondence.

New York, Jan. 8, 1856.

MR. EDITOR: I generally endeavor, in a New York letter to a country paper, either to touch upon subjects that are generally overlooked by the mass of newspaper writers, or, if compelled to write on a hackneyed subject, to say something about it that has not been said before—at any rate not in the way that I say it.

I can scarcely repress a smile, sometimes, when I see the advertisements and notices in country papers of some humbug exploded a year or two before in New York.

The last of these humbogs is the "American Gas Company." Now there is no want more general and palpable than that of a good and cheap light. The ordinary gas is good; but it is dear, and can only be had in cities.

Every one has heard of Paine's "Water Gas," and many were swindled by it; but there are few that know that the "Benzole Gas" of the "American Gas Company" is but the residuum of that great humbug.

The name of Paine had become too "famous" to be longer useful; so it was dropped, and "Benzole" was substituted. Hearing that the above-named company were about extending their operations into the country, I requested a friend posted up in such matters to give them a call.

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The most successful men in New York are not natives of Manhattan Island. A friend showed me, a few days ago, a list of our richest and most eminent men, and I was surprised to find that a larger majority of them were born and "raised" in some obscure village.

Stewart, the dry-goods man, of the marble place, is an Irishman. Greeley is a New Englander. Bennett (James Gordon) is a Scotchman. E. K. Collins is from one of the "rural districts."

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Also—A lot of land in the borough of Lawrenceville, bounded as follows: beginning at the south-west corner of Smith Street on Chert Street, thence north 85 1/2 degrees east eight perches and two and a half links to a post, thence south 41 degrees east nine perches and 2 1/2 links to a post, thence east

continent, or perhaps in the world, in his line of business. I think I would be safe in saying that nine out of ten of all the leading men of New York, in their respective callings, are not natives of the city. What is the reason of this?

JUDGE LYNCH IN MASSACHUSETTS.—The North Adams Transcript says that the town of New Marlborough, in Berkshire County, like the rest of the world, has among the "sovereign people" indignant avengers of insulted virtue. It seems that a certain Mr. Warner, of whom, being a returned Californian, better things might have been expected, has lately been scandalously intimate with a Mrs. Leonard—both parties having families; and it being noised abroad that they were together at a house of no exalted reputation on Saturday evening a week or two since, a party of chaps made an attack upon the premises, seized Warner, and giving him a complete coat of tar, carried him about a quarter of a mile on a rail; then, returning, they applied the same treatment to the woman, and left them both without further violence.

THE GREAT BARRINGTON COURIER says that, "although this may be considered a high-handed outrage, yet it meets the approval of those best acquainted with the parties and circumstances."

PAY OF JURORS.—The pay of Jurors and witnesses attending Court, is being generally agitated just now. It is very justly contended that one dollar for the former and sixty-two and a half cents for the latter, are barely sufficient to pay board bills, allow nothing for the loss of time &c. The subject is commended to the next Legislature, with a recommendation that the pay of jurors be raised to one dollar and a half, and the witnesses to one dollar per day. This is a good movement which ought by all means to be carried out.

A GOOD ONE.—A correspondent of the New York Tribune says that recently, during the balloting for the Speakership, an old Democrat from Tenn. remarked "that during the previous twenty-four hours he had fancied that he could see the form of the immortal Jackson hovering over the assembly, and with all the energy and determination that formerly characterized him, exclaiming, 'By the Eternal, no more Banks!'"

DEATH OF TOM THUMB'S FATHER.—The father of Gen. Tom Thumb, Mr. Stratton, died Dec. 21st at his residence near Bridgeport, Connecticut. His mind has been disordered for some time. He had acquired a large fortune by the exhibition of the little General, which will now be divided between the widow, the renowned dwarf, and his two married sisters.

CARGOES OF GOLD.—Two and a half million dollars in gold arrived here from California last week—two million in the George Law steamship, and the remainder in the Star of the West.

Holloway's Pills, a certain remedy for indigestion and Liver Complaint.—Maria Armstrong (37), of Edgartown, New Jersey, suffered more than most people from indigestion, accompanied by liver complaint. Several very clever medical men told her she was in a consumption, and her friends despaired of her ever recovering as she had tried everything they thought likely to benefit her without success.

MA-R-R-E-D.—In Tiooga, on the 7th inst., by Rev. L. Stone, Mr. C. B. KELLY of Gaines, and Miss ISABELLA J. BURLEY of Charleston.

DIED.—In Brooklyn, N. Y., on Christmas day, of inflammation of the brain, WILLIE, only son of Henry and Margaret Nevius, aged about four years.

Register's Notice.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Administrators on the following named Estates have settled their accounts, and that the same will be presented to the Orphan's Court of Tiooga County, on MONDAY, the 4th day of February, 1856, for allowance and confirmation, viz:

The account of Lewis Daggett and Samuel B. Pettengill Administrators of GEORGE DAGGET, late of Middlebury, deceased.

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