

**Bank for Loans on Honor.**

We learn from the Courier des Etats Unis, that banks, by which loans are to be made alone on honor, are to be established throughout France, one or more in each department. This is a new idea, we believe and is eminently French, or eminently Parisian. France seems to be a kind of officina for the elaboration and announcement of all kinds of ideas, projects, theories, and schemes—political, financial, social, and revolutionary. This last—the bank, so humanely imagined—may possibly do much good, if honestly and judiciously managed; but there is the rub, and there is the danger, for of one hundred institutions, or such a matter, to suppose that all will be faithfully and discreetly administered, and that there will be no beggarly accounts of empty boxes—no Owl Creek and Wild Cat concerns—is reposing with too much confidence, we will not say upon France, but upon human integrity.

The purpose of the bank upon honor is, to lend small sums to the meritorious poor, taking no bond, writing, mortgage, no promise to pay, that could be enforced in law, and nothing but a naked pledge to return the loan, which is not to exceed 200 francs (\$37.50) to each applicant. Loans are to be restricted to the industrious and honest poor who have been unfortunate from fire, want of employment, sickness, or misdeed among their cattle, or for such reason, and to no others. When a loan is applied for, the facts are to be set forth, and supported by the declaration of the applicant and four witnesses of good repute, who may be members of his family. Two registers are to be kept, in one of which will be registered the names of punctual borrowers, and in the other, the names of delinquents. And here we perceive a difficulty, for it will often happen that an honest man may be a delinquent, whilst a dishonest one may not be. To discriminate, and to do justice and avoid doing injustice, will require great vigilance and attention, and a thorough knowledge of the circumstances and character of the borrowers on honor; and all this may be attainable; but it will make work for the administrative committee. Before a loan is made, it will be preceded by a strict inquiry, into the degree of the necessity existing for it, and into the character, conduct and habits of the applicant, which may occasion a good deal of work, although the loan to be made may not amount to 5 dollars.

There is to be a bank agency, or sort of branch in every commune, which will be dependent on the Bank of the Department and under its supervision and control, so that the bank will be brought to almost every man's door; which will be realizing as much, or more, perhaps, than Henry the Fourth hoped for in the exuberance of his zeal for the well being and prosperity of the French people, that he hoped to see the day when every peasant could put a chicken into his pot on Sunday. Alas! he did not live to see that day, being struck down by the hand of the assassin RAVALLAC; nor would he have seen it had he lived a quarter of a century longer, as he might have done. They beat this all hollow in California, for there every man may put an ounce of gold, not into his pot, but into his pocket, and some put thousands of ounces.

Great calculations are made upon these banks of honor in France. It is believed that they will create a new circulating medium, and representative of credit—honor. They are to have a moralizing influence, too, and everything is to be done in the name of honor, and for honor. There is to be honor among families, honor in industrial occupations, and honor with respect to pecuniary engagements. So says the programme, or the charter, as it may be called; and that it may do all the good anticipated, and much more, we most fervently hope. It is expected, too, that it will in a great degree supersede the necessity of a poor law, or any measure equivalent to one. This is expecting much—but with honest and intelligent management, much good may be achieved.—Washington Globe.

**History of Agriculture.**

Agriculture engaged the attention of the Romans theoretically as well as practically. Their time was divided between husbandry and war. In the early days of the republic their greatest men employed themselves alternately in the one and the other. Cincinnatus was called from the plough to fill the office of Dictator.

Among the Romans, the ox was the principal beast of burden; and there are many directions for breeding, working and feeding this animal, to be found in the works of Pliny, Cato, and others. Bees were also held in high estimation among the Romans, and directions for their management may be found among the writers above mentioned. With regard to the implements of husbandry used by the Romans, we cannot speak definitely, but it is certain they used ploughs of some sort, both with mould boards and colters, and without them. Pliny speaks of a reaping machine that was propelled by an ox. Their grain was beaten out by flails or trodden by cattle. Hay was performed in much the same manner as at present.

On the decline of the Roman empire, agriculture shared the fate of all arts, and during the long ages of anarchy and barbarism which succeeded the fall of this empire, agriculture was almost wholly abandoned, and continued to be neglected until the introduction of the feudal system in the fifteenth century. This gave every man a distinction and rank according to the quantity of land he occupied. Nothing contributed more to give an importance to agriculture than the introduction of this system, which gave the tenant that cultivated the soil, as well as the landlord who owned the land, political privileges that were enjoyed by no other member of the community.

England has, for the last 50 years done much for the advancement of agriculture; and her efforts have been crowned with success, as her agricultural productions have more than doubled during this period.

The agriculture of the French suffers in common with every other species of industry, from the effects of bad government. Since the Revolution, they have made some advancement, but are still far behind Great Britain, notwithstanding they have a climate and soil adapted to every variety of growth. In all parts of the continent of Europe increasing attention is beginning to be paid to this subject. In Lombardy and Flanders it is carried to the highest state of improvement.—New England Farmer.

**Ten per centum a Month.**—The Legislature of California have issued proposals for a loan of \$300,000, at an interest of three per cent a month in some individual transactions at the beginning of winter, ten per cent a month was paid.

**Cure for Colds.**—Three cents worth of liquorice three cents worth of gum arabic, put them in a quart of warm water, simmer, then till thoroughly dissolved; then add three cents worth of paragonic, and a little quantity of antimonial wine. Let it cool, and sip whenever the cough is troublesome. It is pleasant, infallible, cheap and good. Its cost is 15 cents.

**Quar Fight.**—It is said that a match is to come off in New Orleans in June next, for \$600 a side, between a two-year-old grizzly bear, and a New Jersey snapping-turtle, weighing 210 pounds.

**South Carolina.**—The Governor of South Carolina has appointed Gen. James Hamilton as Mr. Calhoun's successor in the U. S. Senate; but being ineligible, having lately resided in Georgia, refused to serve.

**Horse Mortality.**—Messrs. Kipp & Brown, the New York omnibus proprietors, state in a communication to the Council of that city, that they annually lose from their stables from 2300 to 2500 horses in the aggregate, through fatigue, accident, or general causes.

**The Douloureux or Neuralgia.**—John Lynchburg, of Clarence N. Y., states that for twelve years he was severely afflicted with the Douloureux or painful affection of the nerves of the face, attended great swelling and much pain, so that she was unable to attend to her work. That the only sure remedy she had found was in the use of that celebrated medicine known as Geo. W. Merchant's Gargling Oil; by taking it and by applying it to the parts affected. She also states that she has been afflicted with bleeding at the lungs and weakness of the breast,—that of all the above disease she had been cured by the internal and external use of this oil; and has since been able to attend to her work. She has also used it with great success in burns.

**See advertisement in this paper and call on the agent for a pamphlet which gives a full description of this remarkable remedy.**

**Beat Brunmel** was the great oracle of fashion in Europe some years ago, but he died in poverty. In this country a man may be as elegant and fashionable in his attire as Brunmel, without running any risk of dying in poverty, simply by procuring his clothing at Shepherd's cheap store in Chestnut above Third street, Philadelphia.

**BEARRIED.**  
On the 21 inst., by the Rev. E. A. Bauer, Mr. Samuel Rebig, of East Penn., to Miss Maria Hank, of Heidelberg.  
On the same day, by the same, Mr. Jacob Oswald, of Lynn, to Miss Maria Steiger, of Mahoning.  
On the 14th inst., by the Rev. Joshua Yaeger, Mr. Levi Haber, of Salisbury, to Miss Susan Licht, of Hanover.  
By the Rev. William German, Mr. Jesse Dillinger, to Miss Polly Schaffer, both of Upper Milford.

**DIED.**  
In Lower Macungie, William Henry, son of Henry Dilgent, aged 4 years.  
On the 10th of April, in Salisbury, Edgar Henry, son of Edwin Wenner, aged 4 months.

**REMOVAL.**  
The subscriber announces to his friends and the public in general, that he has lately removed his

**GROCERY STORE,**  
from Gangwer's to Wilson's corner, on Market square, directly opposite Craig's Allentown Hotel, where he has recently added a large addition to his already extensive stock of Family Groceries, Fruit, and Confectionary, which consists of

Molasses, Honey, Coffee, Sugar, Leaf Sugar, Spices, Chocolate, Rice, Fish, Oil, Candles, Soap, Salt, Dried Peaches, Apples, Currants, Crockery, Queens-ware, Earthenware, &c.  
ALSO.—Oranges, Lemons, by the Box, dozen, or single; Prunes, Figs, Raisins, by the box or pound.

**CONFECTIONARIES.**—A large and extensive assortment of Candies which will be sold Wholesale and Retail, to suit Purchasers—  
Corn, Oats, Chop and other Feedstuff will always be kept on hand for sale at the lowest price the market affords. Cement, by the barrel, bushel or less quantity, will always be kept for sale.

He informs those for whom he has done business in Philadelphia and elsewhere that he has established a

**Semi-weekly Team Line**

**To Philadelphia,**  
which arrives regularly in Allentown, every Thursday and Saturday in each week.

Persons who trust their business to him can depend upon it being punctual transacted, as he always makes it a point, to employ none but sober and careful teamsters.

He trusts that the quality of his goods, and the cheapness of their prices, will convince the public, that it is to their advantage to deal with him.  
JESSE SHAFER.  
April 18.

**BUILDERS! LOOK HERE!!**

A NEW LOT OF HARDWARE!!!

The undersigned announce to the public, that they have just returned from Philadelphia and New York, with a very large lot of Hardware, consisting of

House Furnishing Articles, Cutlery, Coach Trimmings, Saddlery and Shoe Findings, all of which will be sold at extremely low prices. They ask the public to give SAEGER'S HARDWARE STORE, sign of the

**AWVIL,**  
a call, in order to convince themselves of the fact, that a penny saved is a penny made.  
O & J SAEGER.

**To House-Keepers.**  
A great assortment of House Furnishing articles, such as

ENAMELED and tinned inside, cooking vessels, sauce and stew pans, preserve kettles, fish and ham kettles, frying pans, griddles, waffle irons, &c.

TEA TRAYS and Waiters, from common to fine, in sets and dozens. Also, gubric form, in sets, and in variety of patterns.

KNIVES and FORKS—in sets and dozens; also knives only; carvers, steels, cook and butcher knives, with a variety of other manufactures.

POCKET and PEN KNIVES—Razors, scissors, shears, from the best makers; one, two, three, and 4 blade knives.

SHOVELS, spades, hoes, chains, rakes, pick axes, &c.

SHOVELS and TONGS, Iron and brass polished steel fire sets and standards, coal hods, tailors' irons smoothing irons &c., and for sale by  
O & J SAEGER.

**IRON.**—A lot of Hammered and Rolled Iron, Sheet Iron, American and English Band Iron, Hoop Iron, Cast and Shear Steel, square, flat, and round, just received with Anvils and Vices, and for sale cheap at the store of  
O & J SAEGER.

**GLASS.**—150 Boxes Glass, 8 by 10, 10 by 12, 10 by 14, 10 by 15, 12 by 16, and various other sizes, for sale by  
O & J SAEGER.

**TO MECHANICS.**—Tools of every description, such as Bench and Moulding Planes, Hand, Panel, and Back Saws, Braces and Bits, Auger Bits, Hatchets, Squares, &c., for sale by  
O & J SAEGER.

**TO SHOEMAKERS.**—Just received a new assortment of Morocco and Binding Leather, Lasts, Shoe-thread, Wooden Pegs French Rubbers, and numerous other articles belonging to the shoemaking business.  
O & J SAEGER.

**WHITE LEAD.**—2 tons of White Lead just received, Pure and Extra, and for sale by  
O & J SAEGER.

**LOOKING GLASSES.**—A splendid lot of Looking Glasses Plates, and Frames of all sizes for sale by  
O & J SAEGER.

**NAILS.**—300 Kegs of the best Nails, Brads and Spikes, just received and for sale by  
O & J SAEGER.

**SCYTHES.**—20 doz. genuine Griffith's Grain Scythes, also a large assortment of genuine Steiermark Grass Scythes, cheap and for sale by  
O & J SAEGER.

**OILS & VARNISH.**—Oils of all kinds, boiled and raw, Turpentine, Newark Varnish of all kinds, Glue &c., will be sold cheap by  
O & J SAEGER.

**PLANES.**—A full assortment of Planes of John Bell's best make, also a large assortment of Carpenter's Tools, for sale cheap by  
O & J SAEGER.

**HOLLOWARE.**—500 Iron Pots and Kettles, just received and for sale at very reduced prices at the store of  
O & J SAEGER.  
April 18

**Attention Smokers! New Tobacco Store.**

Between the New York and People's Store in Hamilton street, Allentown.

The Subscriber most respectfully informs his friends and the public in general that he has recently opened a new TOBACCO ESTABLISHMENT

in the burnt District, a few doors East of Hagenbach's Hotel, in the room lately occupied by Wm. S. Weil, where he intends constantly to keep on hand, an assortment of Imported and American Segars, such as Havanas, Regalia's Lanornia Yara, Maduras, Napoleon La Grand, Principes, Sixes, Half Spanish and Conincs.

ALSO  
Smoking, Snuff and other Tobacco, Snuff boxes, Pipes, Stems, &c. All of which will be sold at Wholesale and Retail at the lowest prices. He calls upon the Smokers of a good Segar to give him a call, as he has bought for cash, and can sell 25 per cent lower than any other establishment in Town.

Recollect! the place to get good and genuine Segars, is with the subscriber.  
WILLIAM ECKERT.  
Allentown, April 18.

**NORTHAMPTON Water Company.**

The stockholders of the Northampton Water Company, are hereby notified, that an election for five managers, to serve for the ensuing year, will be held on Monday the 15th of May next, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 6 P. M., at the house of Major Eli Stecker, in the borough of Allentown. By order of the Board,  
M. D. ENEMARD, Secretary.  
April 19.

**LADIES! Listen To The Call!!**

Fashionable Millinery Store!

**MRS. M. BROWN.**

In announcing to the public the recent change of location in her

**MILLINERY ESTABLISHMENT,** from East, to West Hamilton street, between the New York and Mertz & Landis' Store, has also the satisfaction of stating that she has just returned from Philadelphia with a large variety of

**Ladies and Misses Bonnets,** which she is satisfied she can sell cheaper, than any other establishment of the kind in Allentown, at wholesale or retail.

Her assortment among other articles consists of

Spanish Edge, Rut-Alboni, Satin Tulip, Tulip Milton, White Chip, and a large variety of other fashionable styles not mentioned.

She has prepared herself with a large and elegant assortment of

Fancy Ribbons, Tabs, French and American Artificialists, &c.

She has also an assortment of Silks and Lawns, which she will make up in CASING AND OTHER BONNETS, at the shortest notice, and on the most reasonable terms.

Old Bonnets, dyed in any color desirable, and shaped and made up in the latest and most fashionable styles.

Milliners from the Country will do well to give her a call before they purchase elsewhere, as she has prepared herself with an assortment of Fancy Millinery Goods never before equalled in Allentown, and will dispose of them at the lowest Philadelphia prices.

Thankful for past favors, she trusts that the reasonable prices she disposes of her articles, will induce many to become regular customers to her establishment.  
April 18

**Tailors! Clear the Track!**

My Motto is—"No Fit no Pay!"

**EDWARD STETTNER.**

Has again opened shop, and hereby announces to the public and his old customers, that he can be found in Hamilton street, between the "New York" and the "Peoples' Store" in the building recently occupied by William S. Weil, as a Variety Store, where he will be happy to receive calls in his line of business. As he is admitted to be the equal of *Beau Brunmel*, the oracle of fashion; he can safely proclaim his motto,

**"NO FIT NO PAY."**  
Such who wish to appear in the latest New York and Philadelphia Dress Fashions, will do well to give him an early call. He is receiving the latest Fashion Plates, and cuts after the most approved system.

His workmen are of the best that can be obtained, and his jobs for taste and durability cannot be excelled by in the county.  
E. STETTNER.  
April 18.

**To Builders.**

A splendid assortment of Front and Parlor Locks with mineral knobs, German Locks, Latches, Bolts, Hinges, Screws, Paint Brushes, and a variety of other building Hardware just unpacked, and for sale cheaper than ever by  
O & J SAEGER.  
April 18.

**Allentown Seminary, FOR YOUNG MEN AND BOYS.**

The Summer session of this Institute, will commence on the 1st of May next, and continue for 5 months.

**TERMS:**  
Tuition, Board and Washing, for 5 months, (comprising 2 Quarters of 11 weeks each) \$65 00  
Tuition for pupils over 10 years of age, 15 00  
Tuition for pupils under 10 years of age, 10 00

For further particulars apply to the Principal, who returns thanks to the Public for the favor which they have so far shown his school, inviting at the same time, all those who may desire it, to visit the Institution and examine for themselves. No pains will be spared to instruct the Pupils entrusted to his care, thoroughly in all the branches desired, and to watch over their morals and manners with paternal care.

C. R. KESSLER, Principal.  
April 11.

**COAL & LUMBER YARD, In South Bethlehem.**

The undersigned adopt this method to inform their friends and the public in general that they have now on hand, an excellent assortment of dry Lumber, consisting of

Boards, Scantling and Shingles, to the latter they wish to draw the attention of the public particularly. They have at a great trouble brought from the State of Maine, a large supply of

Cedar Shingles.  
In connection with the Lumber they have also an extensive

**COAL YARD,**

where they will always keep on hand, all kinds of Coal. As the roads are now in good wheeling order, they hope to be able to shake the hand of many an old customer, and make acquaintance with many new ones, whom they will always treat with the greatest respect.  
BORHECK & KNAUSS.  
April 11.

**TO THE LADIES! BONNETS! BONNETS!!**

**Mrs. E. Kemmerer,**

Respectfully informs the Ladies of Allentown and the adjacent country, that she continues her fashionable

**MILLINERY ESTABLISHMENT,** on Hamilton Street, third door below Pretz, Guth & Co's. Store, where she will be happy to have them call and examine her stock. Mrs. Kemmerer has just returned from the city, and has now on hand, the largest and most varied assortment of

**Ladies and Misses Bonnets,** to be found in Allentown. Her stock comprises the latest styles, such as

Hungarian, Sclician, Fluted Lace, Inserted Van Dykes, Alburns, Sylvian, Satin, Straw, &c., &c., which she can offer to sell

**Wholesale and Retail,** as cheap as any other dealer, here or elsewhere.

She has also a well selected and superb assortment of

**RIBBONS, TABS AND FLOWERS,** of the latest patterns, and she would especially invite the ladies to

Call and Examine her Stock, before purchasing elsewhere.

She is also prepared to make Crapes, Silk and Lawn Casings and Fancy Bonnets, at the shortest notice, and on the most reasonable terms.

BLEACHING done in a superior manner, and at much reduced prices. Good hands always employed.  
Country trade supplied.  
E. KEMMERER.  
April 11.

**To Contractors!**

THE Commissioners will receive sealed proposals, to the 30th instant for erecting and completing in South Bethlehem a stone Bridge of two arches, about 24 feet span each, 17 feet wide in the carriage way, about 6 feet high over ordinary water mark, with the necessary wing walls, well covered and filling up complete.

JOHN LICHTENWALDER, BENJAMIN BREINIG, SAMUEL KNAUSS, Commissioners of Lehigh County.  
Attest:—J. M. LANE, Clerk.  
April 11.

**Great Volume of Graham's Magazine.**

Commencing with the July Number.

THE Original projector and proprietor of GRAHAM'S MAGAZINE, having again assumed the entire management of this favorite periodical, purposes to commence a new volume of unrivalled excellence, with the number for July. The early copies will be illustrated with the most splendid set of engravings that have ever appeared in an American work. Defying the proudest English annuals to excel in magnificence these beautiful specimens of artistic skill, the Paris fashions, colored in the unapproachable style of the French artists, will be resumed, and will represent correctly the elegant goods forwarded to this country to Messrs. L. J. Levy & Co., of Philadelphia, and Stewart, of New York. The evidence of their authenticity will be found upon the counter of these gentlemen, simultaneously with the monthly publication of Graham's Magazine. Extensive arrangements—with the concurrence of these gentlemen, are now being made in Paris, to forward promptly these correct and elegant plates, which will be a department of Graham's Magazine, that will set at defiance all attempts at imitation or competition. Our former

List of Invaluable Contributors, are re-engaged, and arrangements are perfected for a series of most splendid articles, from such writers as the following—

Henry W. Longfellow, W. Gilmore Simms, James Russell Lowell, E. P. Whipple, J. M. Legard, George D. Prentice, Alfred B. Street, N. P. Willis, Wm. Cullen Bryant, Nathaniel Hawthorne, Wm. Henry Herbert Jas. Fenimore Cooper, Richard P. Smith, J. M. Morehouse, Henry B. Hirst, and the Messrs. Lydia Sigourney, E. C. Kinney, E. J. Eames, Elizabeth Oak Smith, Joseph C. Neal, Ann S. Stephens, Francis J. Osgood, Seba Smith, Miss Emma C. Ensbury and Emma Duval.

A great chance for three dollar subscribers. We will send three dollar subscribers, to the new volume, to commence with the July number, a very splendid new premium picture called "The First Prayer," or "Bertie's" magnificent print of "Christ Blessing Little Children," just finished, in a very masterly style—a large cabinet picture.

Col. Fitzgerald also offers his capital newspaper,

**Fitzgerald's City Item,** on the same terms, viz, for Three Dollars one copy of Graham's Magazine and a copy of Fitzgerald's City Item, a paper devoted to graceful literature, and fashionable news, and filled with the most sprightly editorials upon all subjects. This is the most liberal offer ever made.

Five dollars will pay for two years, or for two subscribers one year. Ten dollars sent by clubs, to one address, five copies. Twenty dollars sent by clubs to one address eleven copies.

\*Editors who may wish an exchange, will please NOTICE, and send the paper, containing it, MARKED. The numbers will be promptly forwarded. Our editorial friends may RELY upon the exact fulfillment of our promise.

Geo. R. GRAHAM, 134 Chestnut street, Phila.  
April 18.

**JOB PRINTING.**

Neatly executed at the "Register" Office.  
Allentown, April 11

**Prices Current.**

ARTICLES.	Per	Allentown	Easton	Phila
Flour . . . . .	Barrel	5 00	5 00	5 00
Wheat . . . . .	Bush	1 00	95	1 05
Rye . . . . .	"	50	60	55
Corn . . . . .	"	25	30	35
Oats . . . . .	"	45	40	50
Buckwheat . . . . .	"	1 50	1 30	1 25
Flaxseed . . . . .	"	3 25	4 00	4 00
Timothy seed . . . . .	"	2 50	2 00	2 00
Potatoes . . . . .	"	40	50	65
Salt . . . . .	"	40	45	40
Butter . . . . .	Pound	14	12	15
Lard . . . . .	"	8	10	10
Fallow . . . . .	"	9	9	8
Beeswax . . . . .	"	22	25	28
Hann . . . . .	"	9	8	7
Fitch . . . . .	"	7	6	6
Tow-yarn . . . . .	"	8	5	8
Eggs . . . . .	Doz.	10	12	10
Rye Whiskey . . . . .	Gall.	22	25	28
Apple Whiskey . . . . .	"	20	25	25
Linseed Oil . . . . .	"	53	65	68
Hickory Wood . . . . .	Cord	4 50	4 50	6 00
Oak Wood . . . . .	"	3 50	3 50	5 00
Egg Coal . . . . .	Ton	3 50	4 00	4 50
Nut Coal . . . . .	"	2 50	3 00	3 50
Jump Coal . . . . .	"	3 50	3 50	3 60
Plaster . . . . .	"	4 50	4 50	5 00

**ALLENTOWN ACADEMY.**

SUMMER SESSION 1850.

The Summer Session commences Monday, April 15th, to continue 15 weeks.

**TERMS:**  
For boarding, tuition, &c., for the whole session, \$15 00

All necessary information can be obtained on application at the Academy.  
R. C. CHANDLER, Principal.  
April 4.

**ALLENTOWN SEMINARY FOR YOUNG LADIES.**

The sixth term of this Institution, will commence on the 1st day of May next. All parents who intend to place their children at this school, would do well to bring them at the commencement of the session.

**TERMS.**  
For board, washing, &c., per ses., \$15  
**TUITION.**  
For those under eight years of age, \$3  
For those between eight and ten, 4  
For those between ten and twelve, 5  
For those over twelve, 6

A. E. YOUNG.  
An excellent teacher in Music and Drawing has been secured, and those who may wish to receive instruction in these branches, can obtain it at the usual terms.  
April 4.

**The People's Store.**

TREMENDOUS EXCITEMENT!  
Highly Important News!

News! everybody likes news, and so it has been ever since the flood. Sprague says:

"The news! our morning, noon and evening cry Day after day repeats it till we die. For this the city, the critic and the fop, Daily the hour in Tomson's shop; For this the gossip takes her daily route, And wears our patience and your threshold out; For this we leave the parson in the lurch, And pause to prattle on the way to church; Even when some coffin'd friend we gather round We ask 'what news?'—then lay him in the ground!"

We frequently proclaim news,