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ELECTION FOR ORGANIST.

Notice was given last Sunday, in the German Reformed Church, that there would be an election held in the Church, for Organist, four weeks from that day, after the services in the morning. The candidates are Messrs. Slemmer, (the present incumbent) Faust, and Menninger.

ALLENTOWN BANK.

Messrs. FAY and RESS have read in place bills for the Charter of the Allentown Bank. Success to the enterprise! We hope they may succeed in getting the Bill through early in the session. That Banking facilities are much needed by our business community is acknowledged by all.

Norristown and Allentown Railroad.

This is a work in which not only the people of Allentown but of the whole county, are deeply interested, and the only cause of wonder is, that there should be any backwardness manifested in regard to it. But recent indications are decidedly favorable, we think, to the progress of the work, and we hope to see the efforts of the energetic and efficient directors of the Company, cordially and generally seconded by the people along the contemplated line.—Philadelphia imperatively owe it to their highest interests to give this project a careful and favorable consideration. The arguments in its favor, it appears to us, must prove irresistible among those who have at heart their city's welfare. The completion of this road would establish a connecting link to the coal regions, much needed and promising the grandest results.

The Concert.

We were pained to see those talented and unsurpassed musicians, Mrs. E. Weiss and Mr. F. Agne, from our neighboring town of Bethlehem, so poorly patronized on Saturday evening last. If some humbug, such as "Old Lindsay," or some country straggling company of negro minstrels, would have been announced to appear, the Hall would doubtless have been well filled. The entertainment given was excellent, and was indeed deserving of a full house.

Robbery.

We are informed that some rogues broke into the residence of Mr. THOMAS WHITE, in Hanover township, on Saturday night last, and robbed the premises, taking therefrom several valuable articles, and an amount of money.—They broke open a drawer and took therefrom \$104.—They then went up stairs and rifled the pockets of his pantaloons which lay by his bedside where he was sleeping. They succeeded in making their escape without being detected.

Another.

In the early part of last week, Mr. SCHADT, school teacher at Siegersville, this county, was robbed of \$120 in cash, together with a promissory note for \$100. The money was taken out of his pantaloons pocket at night, at Weiler's Hotel, where he boarded. Suspicion fell upon a German engaged as hostler, and after a diligent search the money was found upon his person. He was committed to prison on Thursday night last.

Fire Alarm Bell.

Last week the fire alarm bell lately purchased by our town council for Columbia Engine Company, No. 1, was received. The bell is very large—weighing upwards of 1000 pounds—and throws a sound that can be heard between 3 and 4 miles. The bell formerly belonged to the Pennsylvania Hose Company, of Philadelphia. As soon as the Columbia's new House is finished it will be placed in the Cupola. The alarm bell is something that has long been wanted in our town. We would here say, that too much praise cannot be bestowed upon our present indefatigable "borough fathers" for the many improvements under their administration. They are things that have been wanted for many years, notwithstanding the grumbling of some old fogies. Go ahead we say. Put your shoulders to the wheel Hercules-like, and push along the long-needed thorough improvements, so that we may not be behind rival towns. It is time enough to retrieve the errors of the past.

Value of Real Estate.

Last week Mrs. PETER KUNDS disposed of a lot of ground on West Hamilton street, above Tenth, containing one acre, for the snug little sum of \$3,600, to Messrs. Miller, Fenstermacher, Helfrich and Salliday. Eighteen years ago this same piece of ground was bought for \$150. So rapidly is real estate increasing in value, and so greatly will it continue to increase for years to come, that we would, if we had any surplus capital, purchase lots here, at present prices, and erect houses upon them, and sell them five and ten years hence, for what they would bring, and we are certain they would yield a better profit than any thing money can be invested in. The men up town are not all Rip Van Winkles! We know some of them who have almost literally slept for the past twenty years! They had the capital but the enterprise was wanting. But the times have changed marvellously—they have live men there now!—men who strike out boldly into the current of progress and improvement, and achieve success where others would despair.

Graham's Magazine.

The February number is one that the publishers can be proud of, and creditable to American art and literature; in typographical execution, a pattern of neatness; in its illustrations, admirable; and its letter press solidly useful and varied.

Our Country.

The growth and prosperity of this country have been great and rapid without a parallel in the history of the world. Within a single lifetime, within the memory of many yet living, this nation has gained in population, wealth and enterprise, to an extent never realized or dreamed of by any nation in ancient or modern times. And it has risen, not by wars of conquest and crime; not by invasion of defenceless territories; not by treading upon the necks of subdued tribes of men; but by the peaceful arts; by homely and toilsome industry; by daring and large-minded enterprise; by honorable competition in every market of the world; by generous institutions wisely administered and cheerfully obeyed; by liberal advances to men of all climes; and by the benignity of God's providence shining upon her from cloudless skies, that her mighty youth had been nurtured into almost excessive greatness.

The rapidity with which some of our cities have reached their present size, wealth and splendor, wears more the air of romance than of history. New York may be named as an example. One hundred and fifty years ago, the whole amount of property in the now chartered limits of the city, was assessed at the value of 99,000 pounds, and was owned by 300 persons. The whole amount of tax levied was 450 dollars. Then the place was infested by wolves, and rewards were offered for their extermination. The whole number of vessels belonging to the port were three barks, three brigantines, twenty-six sloops, and forty-six open boats; and the whole number of carmen employed was but twenty. A century ago the population was only about 9000. Now it is one of the first commercial cities in the world. The harvest of the rivers is her revenue, and she is a mart of nations.

Philadelphia, though of second-rate commercial importance, ranks even higher than her sister city in literary and scientific character and riches. Some of the old people yet living in the city of brotherly love, can remember when grain fields occupied what is now the centre of the city; and when the entire population did not more than equal that of many of the villages at present surrounding it. Yet here are colleges, libraries, museums, collections of art, manufactories, &c., worthy of the oldest cities of Europe. And these two cities are but the representatives of the thriftiness that has crowned a score of others, on which Providence has smiled, and prosperity cast her mantle.

A Luxury.

Talk about your luxuries,—your Ice Cream Saloons, Havana Segars, Mint Julips, Lemonades, &c. They can't hold a candle to Bill Reimer's Shaving. We would not forego the luxury of a shave from Bill's hands for all the cabbages in Allentown. Nice clean towels, pure water and plenty of it,—clean brushes and combs, sharp razors, and a lightness of touch that would do credit to a New York pick pocket, are the characteristics of Bill's establishment. Just think of it, ye poor creatures who live beyond the reach of a good barber, whose beards are never removed without the "starting tear," think of it will you, and weep over your hard fate, for we pity you from the bottom of our hearts, do we!

Franklin Fire Insurance Company.

In another column of to-day's paper will be found the annual statement of the assets of this Company, showing that besides a capital of \$400,000, all paid in, it has property to the amount of over a million and a half of dollars, invested in the most undoubted real estate and other securities, for the additional indemnification of its insurers. It further appears that the losses by fire paid by the Company during the year 1854, amounted to \$282,204 30—a sum, which though greatly exceeding that of former years, is scarcely one-fifth of the available means at its disposal.

Hissing.

We learn that two Irish laborers, named Edward Doyle and William Mulgahy, employed on the Rail Road above the Allentown Iron Works, are missing since Saturday. They had been across the river to McKees tavern during the day, and it is supposed that in the attempt to return they were drowned, as they were intoxicated.

THRILLING BALLOON ADVENTURE.—On Thursday morning, Miss LOUISA BRADLEY, of Philadelphia, made an ascension from Easton. She ascended rapidly to a great height, in an easterly direction. Desiring to let off gas, she found the valve rope unmanageable, and in this predicament she sailed on, still higher. She had with her a long rod, to the end of which she attached a knife, and succeeded in cutting a hole into the Balloon, but unexpectedly it tore so badly, that almost instantly all the gas had escaped, and the Aeronaut, at an altitude of several miles, was left with nothing but a mass of silk to depend upon, for a safe voyage to terra firma. She landed, however, safely in New Jersey, about five miles from Easton—the empty balloon forming into a parachute. Her speed downward was probably nearly or quite a mile per minute, and in a zig-zag motion. The excitement was intense until word was received that she was uninjured. Miss BRADLEY is the lady who failed in making an ascension last summer from the same place.

SAD END TO AN ENGAGEMENT.—A correspondent of the Baltimore (Md.) Sun says:—You have already announced the melancholy death of young Alexander Bowman, of Hagerstown, Maryland, by fire at Philadelphia. He was an only son. He was engaged to be married to a young lady, residing near Philadelphia, on the 4th of March next, on which day he would arrive at his twenty-first, and the young lady in her seventeenth birthday. Strange to tell, that fair one was run over by the German-town cars a few weeks since, and was compelled to suffer the amputation of a leg. Now they are forever separated.

Young Mechanics.

There is a cheering tone in the following from the Newark Advertiser, which we extract for your gratification. "The day is past, when a respectable young man was pointed out with the sneering remark, 'He is nothing but a Mechanic.' At the present day there is nothing so honorable as *work*. This is as it should be, lest the tables be turned. Nobody so richly merits to be pointed at by the finger of contempt as the lazy, useless drone, while whose mind and hands add, to this world's wealth and comfort is entitled to its highest respect and gratitude. To us, it is a matter of pride that our city comprises a population of energetic, moral and skilful mechanics, the products of whose busy fingers are yearly spreading our fame over a continent. Such a community must necessarily be intelligent. Labor is an untold spring of mental development. It is the very mother of vigor. Carlyle was right when he said, 'To work! what incalculable sources of cultivation lie in that process, in that attempt! How it lays hold on the whole man! not of a small theoretical, calculating fraction of him, but of the whole, practical, daring, doing enduring man, thereby to awaken dormant energies, and root out old errors at every step.—He that has done nothing, has known nothing.' It is to this thought that we desire to call the attention of young mechanics—the naturalness and feasibility of uniting mental improvement with their daily avocations. Whatever you do, Young Man, do well. Give your mind to it.—When the times are dull and there is comparatively little labor to be done embrace the opportunity for directly storing your mind with knowledge; and when work is plenty, and your hands are busily plied from day to day, let them be obeying the dictates of your mind; let them only be given form and substance to its beautiful conceptions; so shall every succeeding fabric be the body of a new and more complete thought of your soul, and you shall ever be approximating toward perfection. Such a mechanic is an artist. He looks not upon recurring duties as so much drudgery, but as the means of ceaseless pleasure and improvement to himself and usefulness to his fellow men.—Here's our hand, young mechanics. We wish you God-speed, and hesitate not to predict that those of you who love work, read proper and useful books, respect the claims of morality and religion and shun vicious associates, will assuredly attain to the exalted distinction of honored manhood."

A BOLD ROBBERY.—On Friday night, the 5th inst., C. W. Castleman, a mule driver, while staying in Gilbertstown, Montgomery county, was robbed of \$2400. He retired to bed, locked his door as is his custom, removed his money from his pocket-book to a package, tied with a string around his neck, which he carried beneath his under-clothes. When he awoke in the morning he noticed his door standing ajar, and at once looked for his money, but it was gone. The door of the main entrance on the ground floor was also found open in the morning, leaving no doubt but that the rascal had secreted himself under the bed previous to Mr. C.'s retiring. On the 9th inst. a reward of \$500 was offered for the recovery of the money.

A WHOLESALE THEIF.—The Whitehall (N. Y.) Chronicle says.—One night last week, Mr. Sidney Degolyer, of West Fort Ann, was robbed of an orchard of young apple trees, some 200 in number, the trees being dug up by the roots.—They were afterwards found about a mile from their owner's, with their roots nicely buried, it no doubt being the intention of the thief to transplant them in the spring. The fellow that stole them may be set down as a go-ahead agriculturalist. We expect to see next that he has stolen a stream of water and a saw-mill.

"THE FIRST SHALL BE LAST."—The Evansville (Ind.) Journal says that an old gentleman aged sixty-five years was married a few days ago, in Knox county, in that State, to his sixth wife, and he has only married five women. His first wife is his last wife, and she is now in her forty-fifth year. She has been married three times, and her first husband is her last husband.

A DECIDED IMPROVEMENT.—Housekeepers, making their own candles will secure a more brilliant light and more cleanly candle by saturating the wick in turpentine and drying it, previous to moulding. There will be no smoky dregs to settle down into the melted tallow, to disfigure the candle and interfere with proper combustion. Tidy yarn, No. 6.—three strands double makes an excellent wick for such candles. Those who try this method will be so much pleased with it that they will never go back to the old and ordinary method.

A RARE LUXURY.—The gentlemen of Watham, Mass., are enjoying the luxury of a female barber. She is young, pretty and keen. She operates, it is conjectured, like chloroform, so that when she shaves a man he fancies himself kissed.

SHOE MANUFACTURING.—About 1,000 persons including men, women and children, are out of employment in Lynn. The shoe manufacturers have been obliged to contract their business, which throws many out of work.

AN ENORMOUS TAX.—The taxes of Nicholas Longworth, Esq., of Cincinnati, amount this year to thirty thousand three hundred and twenty-eight dollars. That is the amount he has paid into the Treasury this year as the tax upon his property. It is a fortune within itself.

CALIFORNIA YON.—The Mariposa Chronicle tells of a lion killed on the Chowchilla by Mr. Ashworth which measured eight feet in length, and weighed 250 pounds. The day previous he had killed and carried off a hog weighing 150 pounds.

From impure air we take diseases; from bad company, vice and imperfection.

Singular Developments.

The Riegel Robbery—Arrest and Confession of the Offender.—On Saturday, before Ald. Kenney, a young man, named Henry Wilson Williams, was charged with highway robbery, in knocking down Mr. Jacob Riegel, in July last, and robbing him of a gold watch and chain. A few weeks after the commission of the offence, a young man known as Dock Ennis, was arrested from the description given by Mr. Riegel and another gentleman who had seen him, and he was tried before Judge Kelly and convicted, though quite a number of witnesses swore to his being elsewhere at the time of the robbery, as fixed by Mr. Riegel. A motion was made for a new trial in the case and it was granted. Ennis was liberated on bail, and was not tried a second time. A few days ago a gold watch was left at a watchmaker's in this city, for repair. It curiously enough happened that out of the several hundred watchmakers in this city, it was sent to one who knew it to be Mr. Riegel's, from his having put new cases on it. Mr. R. was apprised of the fact, and after a consultation with Mr. Reed, the matter was placed in the hands of officers Seed and Sommers, of the Mayor's Police, with the aid of officer Hickman, of the Thirtieth Ward, traced it to Williams, the prisoner. He soon after the robbery had sold it at an auction store in Spring Garden, and it had passed through two or three hands. On Saturday, Williams made a clear breast of it, confessing that he did the deed, and professing some little contrition. At first he implicated Ennis, but afterwards disavowed that he had any connection with it. Mr. Riegel was examined before the Alderman, on Saturday, and gave a detailed statement of the robbery as far as he could recollect the circumstances. The weapon used by the robber to knock Mr. R. down was a slung shot of a deadly character, being a heavy paving stone tied up in a handkerchief. The injuries of Mr. Riegel were so serious that his life was despaired of for several weeks. Williams is about the built man of Ennis, but of different features and complexion. He is a brother to the young butcher, who twelve years ago, murdered a lad in High street market. The worst feature in the case is, that he was not compelled by his necessities to the commission of the crime. He was committed to answer the offence, \$3000 bail being required.—*Daily News.*

We have no doubt our readers will recollect the details of the above affair, as they were published in the Register at the time of the occurrence. Mr. Riegel is one of the firm of Sieger, Lamb & Co., Third street, Philadelphia, and son of Mr. John Riegel, near Hellestown.

Defence of a Wife's Honor.

A distressing affair occurred in front of the National Theatre, on Saturday evening, and as it is likely from the circumstances under which it happened, the respectability of the young men involved and their numerous friends, to excite a very great sensation, we have been to some trouble to procure the facts of the case.—The parties to the affair were two young men, named Highland H. Ormsbee and Thomas Jennings.

Jennings is reputed to have been anxious for the reputation of a lady-killer, and from the curious vanity of wishing to be thought a debauchee, is said to have been in the habit of boasting of seductions he had accomplished. It seems that he was acquainted with a Miss Eckert, to whom Ormsbee had been for some time paying his attentions and whom, about four weeks ago, he (Ormsbee) married.

In conversation with some of his youthful associates, Jennings boasted that he had, on one occasion, got Miss Eckert, now Mrs. Ormsbee, to take a buggy ride with him, and that he had, at some hotel in the country, effected her seduction—staid all night, and returned to the city next day. These boasts lost nothing by their passage from one person to another until they reached the ears of Mr. Ormsbee, who is of a highly sensitive organization, and was stung to madness by them. The very soul of honor and feeling, he was shocked at the imputations on the honor of his wife, and at once sought an interview with Jennings. The latter was standing by the stove in the lobby of the National Theatre, at 10 o'clock on Saturday night, when Ormsbee tapped him on the shoulder and asked him to step to the door.—He did so; and as they got out-side the house, Ormsbee asked him if he had seduced Miss Eckert. He smilingly replied that he had, and Ormsbee, drawing a pistol, placed it to Jennings' face and fired. The ball shattered Jennings' nose, tore his face badly, and lodged in the head.

Deputy Marshal Gray was standing within a few feet of the parties when the affair occurred, and at once arrested Ormsbee, who made no resistance, and only said: "I don't care if I am hung for it; he said he seduced my wife." The wounded man was carried across the street to the Woodruff House, and the medical aid of Drs. Wood and Foster procured. It was found that the ball, which had been of large size, had entered the left side of the upper lip, tearing and fracturing extensively the bones of the nose and face. The Grand Jury refused to find a bill against Ormsbee alleging that he was justified in the act.—*Cincinnati Columbian, 14th inst.*

A HINT FOR HOUSEKEEPERS.—A few drops of carbonate of ammonia, in a small quantity of warm rain water, will prove a safe and easy antiseptic, &c., and will change, if carefully applied, discolored spots upon carpets, and indeed all spots, whether produced by acids or alkalis. If one has the misfortune to have a carpet injured by whitewash, this will immediately restore it.

A GENTLE HINT.—A congregation who were offended at their preacher, yet who did not wish to take the responsibility of dismissing him immediately, sent him word to leave at the end of six months, and in the meantime to preach as little as possible!

Legislative Proceedings.

SENATE.

On the 19th Mr. FRY presented a petition from citizens of Lehigh county for a bank at Allentown.

Mr. FLENNIKEN moved that the Senate proceed to the consideration of the bill entitled an "act relating to justices and constables fees in the county of Greene."

Mr. BUCKALEW moved to amend the first section by striking out the words "in the county of Greene," and making the act general throughout the State.

Mr. FRY moved further to amend by excluding the counties of Lehigh and Northampton.

The Senate, however, refused to go into committee of the whole for the purpose of general amendment, whereupon the bill coming up on its final passage, was agreed to.

On the 23d Mr. FRY presented a petition from citizens of Northampton county for the incorporation of the town of Bath.

On the 24th Mr. FRY presented a petition from citizens of Lehigh county for the incorporation of a bank at Catasauqua.

On the 25th on motion of Mr. FRY, the Senate proceeded to consider bill No. 19, entitled an act to authorize the Bear Creek and Lehigh plank road company to borrow money. Passed its several readings.

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HOUSE.

On the 22d Mr. CRAIG read a bill in place relative to the division line of Luzerne and Carbon counties.

Mr. Gross read in place a bill to repeal the three hundred dollar exemption law.

On the 24th Mr. Stockdale offered a resolution that the committee on the contested election case from Northampton county, have leave of absence for four days, for the purpose of taking testimony in said case.

Mr. SIMPSON opposed the resolution. He thought it unusual and unnecessary.

Mr. STOCKDALE urged the passage of the resolution, on the main ground that it would be a matter of economy to all the interests concerned.

Mr. FRATLEY advocated the general character of the resolution, but did not think it expedient that all the members of the committee should be allowed to leave the Hall of the House. He moved to limit the number to three, who should proceed to Northampton county, and discharge the duties of the committee, in taking the evidence alluded to. He thought if the whole nine members of the committee were to absent themselves from the Hall, it would seriously interfere with the business of the House.

Mr. EYSTER thought the committee might appoint a commissioner to take the testimony, and adjourn from day to day till the evidence was received.

Mr. REESE, thought the amendment moved was opposed to the rules of the House.

Mr. SIMPSON thought it incompetent to send less than seven to transact the business required of them.

The SPEAKER decided the amendment out of order.

Mr. FRATLEY insisted that it was wrong to send away the committee, either in whole or in part.

The resolution was then agreed to.

Mr. REESE, reported an act to authorize the Lehigh Crane Iron company to sell their bonds at a less than par value.

The vote allowing the committee on the contested seat from Northampton county to take testimony in Northampton, was reconsidered, and after a lengthy and animated debate, was negatived.

MANUFACTURE OF RUM.—Probably the only manufacture in the northern States, which is carried on profitably at the present time, is that of rum, and this was never before so profitable as at the present time. The distilleries all through the country have orders for many weeks and months ahead, at prices which yield them a hundred per centum profit. This state of things has been occasioned by the prohibition of the distillation of grain in France and Belgium, which has caused large orders from those countries for rum from the United States. Every packet ship from New York for France and Germany, now carries out all the rum which can be had in the market as part of her cargo. The article sells at forty-seven and forty-eight cents a gallon, and the profit may easily be calculated, when it is known that the molasses costs but little more than twenty cents a gallon, and one hundred gallons of molasses will make ninety-five gallons of rum. A large portion of the molasses in the United States has just been bought up on French account. At Portland, three thousand hogsheads were purchased last week for shipment to France.

CURIOS INCIDENT.—The Boston Traveller relates the following: A short time since, a young lady in Roxbury trod upon a needle, and run it into the ball of her foot, through an india rubber shoe. Her mother immediately drew out the needle, and nothing more was thought of it, though about a quarter of an inch of the point end of the needle was broken in extracting it from the foot. Some six or eight days after this, the young lady felt a slight prickly sensation just above the knee, and on putting the hand upon the spot, found the lost point of the needle just making its way through the skin. Thus in about a week's time, the needle found its way through the foot, ankle and leg to the knee.

AN ALLEY-GAITER.—The Lynn (Mass.) News, relates the following, which cannot be considered a bootless job:—Mr. Blancy Alley, of this city, made twenty pairs of gaiter boots in twelve hours, last Friday. He received twenty cents a pair for making—\$4 for his day's work. He can take the front seat, for the present.

Our Chip Basket.

One of the "Merry Young Bachelors" sends us the following antidote for love. He says that he has tried it, and not only found it effectual but lasting. The precocious youth recommends it to the "Association," and young men generally:

"Take a grain of sense, half a grain of patience, one drachm of understanding, one ounce of disdain, a pound of resolution, and a handful of dislike, mix them together, strain clear from the dross of melancholy, stop it down with the cork of sound judgment and affection.—This, rightly made and fully applied, is the most effectual way in the world. You may get it at the house of Understanding, in Content street, going up the hill of self-denial, County of Forgetfulness, and in the State of Peace."

A woman will cling to the chosen object of her heart like a possum to a gum tree, and you can't separate her without snapping strings no art can mend, and leaving a portion of her soul upon the upper leather of your affections. She will sometimes see something to love where others will see nothing to admire; and when her fondness is once fastened on a fellow, it sticks like glue and molasses in a bushy head of hair.

President Hitchcock says there are in Great Britain, at the present day fifteen thousand steam engines driven by means of coal, with a power equal to that of two millions of men; and thus is put in operation machinery equalizing the unaided power of 300,000,000 or 400,000,000 of men. The influence thus emanating reaches the remotest portion of the globe, and tends mightily to the civilization and happiness of the race.

AN INCIDENT.—A lady entered a dry goods store in—street, in Z—, and expressed her desire to see some wool delaines. The polite clerk, with elegant address, showed her a variety of pieces, of fine texture and coloring. After tossing and examining to her heart's content, she observed,

"The goods are part cotton, sir!"

"My dear madam," returned the shopman, "these goods are as free from cotton as your breast is—(the lady stares) "free from guilt," he added.

The wife of Mr. Solomon Rose, of Cincinnati, Ohio, made her husband a Christmas present of three blooming boys. The Sun of that city thinks this is a pretty fair specimen of budding for a rose in winter.

Governor Pollock has restored General Small to the command of the Second Brigade, and revoked Governor Bigler's order for a new election.

In Barnum's great poultry show which opened lately at the Museum, in New York city, over seven thousand specimens were exhibited.

Many a true heart, that would have come back, like the dove to the ark, after its first transgression, has been frightened beyond all recall by the savage charity of an unforgiving spirit.

When a young man and woman are seen walking down street, leaning against each other like a couple of badly matched oxen, be you assured that they are bent on consolidation.

Give a man brains and riches, and he is a king. Give a man brains without riches, and he is a slave. Give a man riches without brains, and he is a fool.

There is a gentleman living in New Haven, aged 41 years, who is the youngest member of a family of 10 children, all of whom are living. The oldest is 66 years old, and their united ages amount to 553 years.

Nobly would suppose, on a first thought, that more money is annually expended in the United States for cigars, than for all the common schools in the Union; and yet it is said to be a fact.

A case of absence of mind occurred the last rainy night, when Mr. S. came home. He put his umbrella in bed with his wife, and stood himself up in the corner of the room.

Oranges and Lemons are said to be plenty in New York, and cheaper than they were ever known before, being sold from sixpence to a shilling a dozen.

Some enemies, as well as friends are necessary; they make us more circumspect, more diligent, wiser and better.

The hog killing season is over in Kentucky. The number killed up to the 22d was 284,000.

Sores are not cured by sorrows, nor time broke from us pulled back again by sighs.

Small pox is very prevalent in Pittsburgh.

FOR DESTROYING RATS.—Mix some arsenic with any sort of grease, and plaster it pretty thick all around their holes. The rats, if they do not eat the poison, will soil their coats in passing through the holes, and as, like all furred animals, they are very cleanly, and cannot endure any dirt upon their coats, to remove the offensive matter, they will lick their fur, and thus destroy themselves.—*Genesee Farmer.*

ONE OF THE MEN.—The Rockingham (Va.) Register thus describes a citizen of Pendleton county, Frederick Keister by name:

He is now in his 88th year, and has killed during his life one thousand deer; ten elks, three hundred bears, thirty panthers and fifty-three wolves. He was a volunteer in the whiskey insurrection, and has a very young wife, with two interesting young boys.

POTATOES IN TEXAS.—The Galveston News says five hundred bushels of potatoes can be raised on one acre of land in Texas. One man can cultivate ten acres, which gives 5000 bushels to one laborer. They will average (says the News) fifty cents a bushel.