C. F. HAINES, EDITOR.

WANTED .- An intelligent boy, of active and industrious habits, is wanted immediately to shed a pensive influence on all below. at this office, to learn the printing business.

### CONGRESS.

commenced on Monday the 3rd instant, but when our paper went to press no organization present appearances will not be likely to elect candidates in the field, and as no party has a majority of votes it is difficult to tell how it will terminate. The Democratic members, from first to last, voted for their caucus nomivote, 75, and constitute a large plurality over either of their opposing factions.

To give our readers an idea of how things stand, we append the last ballot. Richardson, Dem., of Illinois, 75; Banks, Republican, 100; Pennington, 8; Fuller, American, of Pennsylvania, 30; with a number of scattering votes.

The Senate has organized under its old efficers, elected its Chaplain, and is ready for business as soon as the House succeeds in effecting an organization. The session will be an interesting and protracted one, in consequence of the exciting topics which will be brought under discussion. What disposition will be made of the Kansas issue, time which brings all hidden things to light, will soon disclose. The contest between Whitfield and Reeder, we presume will early be called up. There is an evident movement among all parties towards President making, and which will unquestionably occupy more time during the present session than wholesome legislation. It is not likely that much business will be done until after the holidays.

## A Short Sarmon.

We wish to read a short sermon to a certain class of very worthy citizens and patrons, and we are sorry that it embraces so large an audience. Our text will be found in the Bible, and it is thus written-" Do unto others as you would that they should do unto you." The text is worthy of its author and should be followed in spirit and in truth, by every man in all his social and business relations. Every man should fix it in his mind as an active principle to guide him through life. And if honestly followed, his dreams at night will be sweet, and morning will find him refreshed and with a renewed determination to follow the right. Let this be a governing principle of existence, and every year would see the world growing better and better and mankind happier. Wars would be no more, and peace and brotherly level would reign Onnapotent. Petty discords and We do not wish to complain -- but we do hope that every one to whom these remarks are applicable, will give the matter due consideration, and in view of our great necessities will extend to us a helping hand.

## Columbia Fire Company.

To-morrow evening the second anniversary ball of Columbia Engine Company is to take place. The managers present the assurance that the affair will be one worthy of the Company, and that all in their power will be done to render it agreeable and pleasant to these who may attend.

## THEATRE.

Last evening terminated the present short season of the theatrical company at the Odd Fellows' Hall. During the week several new pieces were produced which were received with pany sustained their respective characters remarkably well, and particularly, Mr. Bates, as tleman has few equals, and will, with proper time and experience, make an actor of great merit.

## Farm Journal.

With the December number of this periodical, which we have just received, ends the 5th volume. With the new volume commencing in January next, also commences the services of a new editor. DAVID A. WELLS, A. M., a writer of some celebrity among agriculturists. and the author of several practical works on Agriculture, is to be the principal editor, with M. A. SPANGLER, the original editor and proprietor of the Journal, as assistant editor .-Many improvements and several new features of interest to subscribers, will be introduced into-the coming volume.

## A Large Egg.

We were last week shown an egg by Mr. SOLOMON BOILER, of Upper Macingy township, this county, which is a regular " Shanghai," and no mistake. Its weight was 5 ounces; length, 8 inches; circumference, 61. This is hard to beat.

#### WINTER.

December-cheerless, bleak December-is mon us, shaking his snowy locks in our faces, breathing his wintry blasts upon us, and walking up and down the earth with an icy tread. The outer world puts on its garb of frosty winter; the days grow shorter, dawning late in the morning and closing early in the afternoon; while the oblique rays of the retiring sun seem

The first session of the thirty-fourth Congress pleasures. It brings with its biting air, its diency of using the rod in school. The essayist On the other hand the "Pro-slavery" party shroud of snow, a thousand little blessings of the House had been effected. They have er than it was before-and among these blesshad thirty-three ballots for Speaker, and from ings are the long winter evenings-golden hours in the dreary wastes of snow and darkness .one for some time to come. There are seven If turned to a good account, no time can be hours. To the young and gay who have enough of this world's wealth, to meet winter's coming, it brings visions of joy and hapnee, Mr. Richardson. They number, on a full piness. They see in its train the season of balls, parties, sleigh-rides, and the attending sports and enjoyments, or the opportunities of display, and the only apparent effect of the cold lish language, by W. F. A. Kohler, subjectair is to heighten the color upon the check, while indulging in a brisk promenade enveloped by rich velvets and furs.

But there is another class, in our community, to whem the coming of winter brings reflections and feelings of a different character; those who through sickness, misfortune, or a want of employment have not the means to prepare for

the long months of cold and storm. Not the least among the blessings of winter evenings is the fire-side at home. There can Rhoads to read essays on the best method of be no happier scene than the family group gathered around the domestic hearth in social converse, or engaged in perusing useful books. Nothing more beautifully describes the advent public is respectfully invited to attend. of a winter evening to the family at home than the following lines by Cowper:

"Now stir the fire, and close the shutters fast, Let fall the curtains, wheel the sofa round, And while the bubbling and loud-hissing urn Throws on a steamy column, and the eme, at cheer, Lat not inchriate, writ on each, So let us welcome penseful evening in,"

The family book table should not be forgotter during the winter. Let it be provided with in teresting, but wholesome reading-the history of our country, biographies of great and good men, the entertaining magazines, and prominently among these the newspaper:

"The herald of a noisy world." In this age of cheap publications, the family book table should not be neglected. Let it be made inviting to all, and the children especially, that they may be delighted in spending their winter evenings around it, and thereby kept from the bad influences which are sure to beset them if allowed to spend their evenings in the

Remember the winter evenings, and look well to their improvement.

## Marrieburg Telegraph.

Col. A. K. McClure and Jas. M. Sellers, Esq., social strifes would cease, and man would deal Senator from the Juniata district, have purjustly with his brother man-that is-all men chased this establishment and will take posseswould then pay their subscription for the Levision on the 1st January, when they propose to may not be without interest to your readers, high Register when due. Now this is the point issue it in a new and improved form, on the and I send you the following, which has reachwhich we wished to arrive at, in which we are cash principle, on the following terms : Single ed me from an authentic source. The total considerably interested. We pay our debts copy \$2; five copies \$9; ten copies \$17; number of male inhabitants in the peninsula when they are due--it is first rule of business | twenty copies \$30-and at the rate of \$1,50 may be divided as follows: 156,000 Tartars, -but one which we find great difficulty in per copy for every number over twenty. The of whom 80,000 are peasants, farmers or shepcarrying out, unless we have the co-operation paper will be issued semi-weekly during the herds; 16,000 Imams and Mellahs, acting at of our patrons. Every man whose account has sessions of the Legislature, and weekly during the same time as priests or judges; 10,000 been running more than six months, should the remainder of the year. These gentlemen myrsas or notles, a kind of feudal lords whose consider that he is using our money, and with have the capacity and tact to issue a paper at influence and privileges have, not without great have determined to bombard the Russian forholding from us that which we very much need. the State Capital worthy of general confidence difficulty, resisted foreign dominion; and 50,and an extensive patronage.

## Darkness.

In consequence of some slight defection in the Gas Works, the gas lights for the last week or so were in rather a flickering condition, and on one or two occasions it was no go at all, and it was of course found necessary to resort to tallow and camphene. On Thursday evening, during the performance of Ingomar, by Townsend's Dramatic Troupe at the Odd Fellows' Hall, the audience was suddenly plunged into a darkness equal to that which overshadowed Egypt in the days of Moses. After some delay, several camphene lamps were procured, and the performance gone through with to the entire satisfaction of the audience.

## Brother Jonathan.

BROTHER JONATHAN'S BUDGET OF PICTURES for Christmas is particularly funny this year. We great satisfaction. The local Drama of the don't know when we have had so good a laugh "Allentown Fireman" was a great hit, and on as while looking it over. Toodles !- the un-Saturday evening the Hall was filled to over- happy individual whom Mr. Burton has imflowing. In this piece the members of the com- mortalized-goes on an Elephant Hunt in his dream, and experiences a multitude of misfortunes which the artist has worked up in the Fred. Jerome, and Mr. Hyde, as Cincinatus drollest manner imaginable. This series has Blubber. As a negro delineator the latter genthirty engravings. Mr. Spoonbill's Pranks on the Ice, and Major Muggin's Fight with Mr. theeks,-both comprising some twenty pietures-are likewise excellent. Incidents of the War in Europe is a series of five very large and beautiful engravings suitable for framing. The Drunkard Reformed is another large sett, comprising four spirited scenes in the Drunkard's life. We have no room for further particulars. Brother Jonathan will afford a whole winter's amusement to any family. Send 12 cents, (or four stamps) to B. H. Day, 48 Beckman street, New York, and you will get a copy by mailor ten copies for one dollar.

# AMBROTYPES.

We invite the attention of our readers to the advertisement of Mr. S. W. BURGAW. He has at great expense secured the right for taking Ambrotype pictures in this county, which are far superior in every respect to Daguerreqtypes. Mr. B. as an operetor stands at the head of the profession, and his pictures are admired for their accuracy and beauty of finish.

The Holidays are near at hand. Now is the time to advertise your goods !

North Whitehall Teachers' Association.

December 5th, 1855. Pursuant to public notice, this association time and place.

The president having called the house to

order, the minutes of last meeting were read and, on motion, received and adopted. A neat and copious essay upon corporal punishment was then read by the author, Charles F. Pflue-Winter in our northern latitudes, though ger. An animated discussion ensued which bleak and dreary, is not void of charms and was chiefly confined to the necessity and expeand his partisans advocated a judicious system which make the heart of man better and warm- of corporal punishment, as an essential feature chosen, and that its acts are law, and this state of school discipline, and maintained that " to of things caused the outbreak. snare the rod is to spoil the child." Others deemed moral suasion sufficient to secure order in school, and therefore preferable to the infliction more profitably spent than these star light of bodily pain. They argued from experience and observation, and maintained that to use the red is to spoil the child.

> Two appropriate and well written addresses were then delivered. The one in the German language, by F. G. Berndt, subject-" The school and its influence," the other in the Eng-" The Common School System."

The association then held an election for officers which resulted in the choice of H. H. Schwartz, A. B., for President : C. F. Pflueger Recording, and H. H. Rhoads, Corresponding Secretary. Two Vice Presidents and an executive committee were also elected.

The executive committee appointed II. II Schwartz, to deliver an address next meeting, and James Kramer, Amos Steekel and H. R. teaching the art of reading.

On motion the meeting adjourned to meet again on Saturday the 28th of December. The

H. R. RHOADS, Secretary.

# Public Thucation.

The correct moral and intellectual training of the rising generation not only tends to prevent but actually to lessen, every kind of wickedness. It makes more secure-diminishes incendiaries, riots, and all kinds of crime; hence it lightens taxation for police establishments, poor-houses, jails, and prisons. It dispels delusions and superstitions like mist before the burning sun-it fosters genius, and gives to society the purest refinement-adds grace and dignity to families, stability and glory to the nation. The poor man who has been disappointed in a thousand cases; whose early prospeers and hopes have been blasted; who has no carthly chance of leaving his children any pecuniary inheritance, who is often harrrassed and surrounded by innumerable difficulties; whose body is bowed down by toil, whose spirit is often crushed " worse than the bruised reed"-loves his country in proportion to the excellence of the schools and the prospect his children have of attaining future usefulness, respectability and happiness.

## Population of the Crimea.

In the present state of things some exact information as to the population of the Crimea, 000 beurgeeis and petty tradesman

The Christain population does not amount pean origin. The number of Russians carryed a contingent of 10,600 Greeks, who estabva and Eupatoria. 5000 ple, and 6000 Poles. Germans and French, forming a mere floating portion of the population, complete this census.

A New Medicine. - "When was there a time when there was not ?" asks the reader. There never was any very long time clapsed, we think, but some new nostrum made its appearance, but as one medicine cannot cure all diseases whatever the vendors may say in their advertisements, we think that there is room for science yet. Dr. L. B. Wright has discovered and prepared a vegetable 'Liquid Cathartic,' which nerits some attention. If we can administer a good medicine to our children or our invalid riends without producing nausea or any of hose severe pains attending any other purgaartic or Family Physic is very pleasant to take, and is, we are fully assured, prepared, by an old experienced practitioner personally, he assures us there is nothing in it but what is pure-

Sonora shipped \$2,000,000 in gold. The Indians are getting exceedingly troublesome .-Nearly all the tribes north of Columbia river reinforced by another party of recruits from sume his command. San Erancisco. Indian hostilies still continue in the southern part of Oregon.

Cream upon milk is about the only article which has not risen of late. Nothing has things hearn." gone down but the mercury in the thermome-

War in Kansas!

At last, war appears to have commenced in the Territory of Kansas, between the "Free of crime. Murders appear to be of almost met last Saturday, December 1st, at the usual State" settlers and "Border Rufflans" and daily occurrence. Lynch Law, too is carried out not acknowledge the laws enacted by the re- man, charged with horse stealing, were recentcent Legislature, chiefly on the grounds that ly arrested near Hill's Ferry, tried by the of Kunsas, who were driven from the polls by jards had also been arrested on State Creek. the armed Missourieus, who flocked into the ou suspicion of having murdered several Chi-Territory on election day for that purpose.— nese, but as there was no evidence against contend that the Legislature has been legally

> Up to the time of writing, only one side of the story has been received, which is, that near his body was exhumed, and buried in due form with rifles, ordered a Mr. Coleman, a pro-sla- an estimable character, and had many friends. very man off his claim, threatening to shoot him if he refused to leave. He returned, armed, and met one of the three, who fired but missed, whereupon Coleman shot the Free-Stater dead, and delivered himself up.

By telegraph from St. Louis of the 3d inst. we learn that advices received from Kansas state that Governor Shannon had telegraphed to the President in relation to the threatening spect of affairs, stating that one thousand men had arrived in the town of Lawrence, and rescued the ringleaders in the attack upon Mr. Coleman, of Hickory Point, who had been taker prisoner by Sheriff Douglass. The mob burned number of houses and other property. Governor Shannon has requested the Presi-

dent to order the troops from Fort Leavenworth, to aid in the execution of the laws. Despatches from Weston announce the start-

ling news from Atchison, that the Free State officers had taken possession of important pa-An attack upon Atchison was anticipated.

and a request had been sent to Weston for lor. fifty armed men to aid in repelling the assault. The National Intelligencer of the 3d confirms the reports received from Kansas. The despatch from Gov. Shannon, making a demand or troops, was received by President Pierce yesterday. It stated that civil war was threatmmediate transfer of troops from all the near-

### President. Latest European News.

The steamship Atlantic arrived at New York last Friday night, from Liverpool, bringing news from Europe one week later. A victory was gained by Omar Pacha and his troops over a body of ten thousand Russians, at the river Ingour, which the Turks, twenty thousand strong, crossed at four different points, taking sixty prisoners and three guns, and causing a Russian loss of four hundred. Another despatch, referring to the same encounter, says that the Turks crossed the river at the sea-por of Anaklia, and stormed the Russian redoubts, after which they pushed forward towards Kutars. Russia and Turkey have both prohibited the export of breadstuffs.

By the arrival at Halifax of the steamship

Atlantic, we have news from Europe one week later. There is a report that General Canrobert has concluded a treaty of alliance between Sweden and the Western Powers, to take active effect both by land and sea early in the spring. It was also said that the Emperor of Russia had assented to Prussia's informing the Western Powers that he is willing to treat for peace. The allied Generals at Schastopol are said to tifications on the north side of the harbor .--The King of Sardinia had arrived in Paris .-The London Post authoritatively contradicts the reported Swedish alliance, and says that to more than 22,000, and is entirely of Euro- there is no prospect of such an event at present. Lady Emeline Stuart Wortley, well known as ing on trades, who have established themselves the author of a book of travels in America, died currence. in the Crimes since the conquest, are not at Beyront, on the 29th ult. General Sir Colin calculated at more than 3000. Turkey, and Campbell returns to the Crimea at the end of more particularly Constantinople, have furnish his leave of absence. In Asia, Omar Pasha was expecting a battle, General Mouravielf the lished themselves for the most part at Balakla- Russian commander having detached a division of his army which was making forced marches for Kutais. In the Sea of Azoff, the town of 31st, and set on fire. It is rumored that General Wrangel manaced the allied position at the Straits of Yanikale, but the Allies had 30,000 troops there, and expected 15,000 more. A British steamer is watching in the Baltie for revolvers. The fanatical Turks at Constantinople are persecuting the Christains.

Three magazines belonging to the French Artillery, had blown up near Inkermann, killing seventy soldiers and two officers, and wounding one hundred soldiers and ten officers. The magazines contained 30,000 killogrammes tives, we will consult not only their health, but of powder, 600,000 cartridges, and 300 shells, also our own comfort by so doing. This Cath- all of which were destroyed. A large quantity of Russian grain had been destroyed on the Gheiskeinan coast. A terrific fire had occurred at Paris in the government bakery .-Twenty-eight thousand quintals of corn and an ly vegetable and wholesome in all cases (old or equal quantity of flour and biscuit were burnt. young) where physic is required. Give it a The destruction of Russian grain on the coast near Gheiskeinan, was effected by an allied flotilla sent for the purpose. The grain was FROM CALIFORNIA .-- The steamship Star of intended for the Crimean army, and was packthe West, arrived at New York on Thursday ed in six tiers, which extended two miles along last, with dates to Nov. 5th. The steamship the coast. The Czur has dismissed Prince Menshikoff as Chief of the staff, and appointed General Adlenburg in his stead. Advices from Kars state that General Mouravieff, overcome have confederated together and sworn to exter- by his befeat before Kars, had become insane, minate the Americans. Col. Walker has been and Gen. Bubutoff had been summoned to as-

the girl has nothing, is her things hizzen or his

Leap Year.

Lynch Law in California.

The California papers abound with accounts them, they escaped with their lives. In another execution, a reaction took place in his favor, A meeting was also held at Chinese Camp, Columbia, when his execution was denounced as downright murder, and the meeting pledged itself to secure the punisment of those who participated in his illegal execution.

The Placerville American has the following account of a legal execution of two men, named Free and Crane, (the latter a firm believer in spiritualism.) which took place at Coloma, on the 26th of October, in the presence of 6000

At 1 o'clock P. M., accompanied by Sheriff Carson and his assistants, the prisoners came forth and took their seats quite gayly in a wagon. Crane was elegantly dressed in a full breast, and looked and acted a perfect Kentucky gentleman.

Free was also well dressed; light coat, trimmed with red; an elegant low-crowned black rowdy hat, which he wore a little on one side. and appeared not like an unconcerned jolly sai-

Arriving at the foot of the gallows, both ascended with a firm step to the platform. Free, quite gaily (not being entirely unconfined) skipped upon the platform, smiling upon the address the assemblage. Crane, in a very genened and requested prompt assistance. The themanly manner, and apparently without the the purchase of wheat. Among these checks slightest hesitation, read in a loud, firm voice his address. He seemed to regret nothing exest posts was transmitted by telegraph by the cept he had not been permitted to take his own life long before; that he was soon to be with murdered victim, and continued to speak for nearly twenty minutes.

Free said he had concluded not to make any remarks, as it would only excite the people present, and stepped back from the edge of the scaffold. Calls from the crowd of "Go on let us have it," brought him forward. He then said, "I'll give you Mickey Free's scaffold song," and commenced, but after singing three lines stopped, saying, "Gentlemen, I can't go through with it; you must excuse me."

Crane came forward and commenced singing a hymn faom manuscript, probably of his own composition, in which Free heartily joined .-They were attended upon the scaffold by the Rev. James Rogers and Rev. J. Petito.

They were clothed in the habiliments of the grave, and stepped upon the drop without the slightest apparent reluctance. The ropes were adjusted about their necks, a prayer offered up to the God of Heaven and of Earth for mercy on their souls, and with the "Amen" fell the drop and the two murderers.

The last words of Free were, " Now, boys. with you.

The above is the sequel to two of the bloodiest tragedies ever enacted within the borders of this State, the particulars of which were published in this paper at the periods of their oc

Crane was tried and found guilty of the murder of Miss Susan M. Newnham, near-Ringgold. El Dorado county, on August 10, but she survived until the 15th. He shot her with a Colt's revolver.

In his confession he stated that he had formed an attachment for her some fifteen months Marionopol was bombarded by the Allies on the previously; that they had been married, but only by God himself, that another, who was suiter for her hand, and who was favored moreover, by her parents, had caused all the difficulty. He confessed that a bar existed to his marrying Susan openly, viz: that he had an American clipper, laden with a cargo of a wife living in the Eastern States. Crane was ever thirty years of age, and has four children living near Lexington, Kentucky. He was an enthusiastic Spiritualist, and on this subject was regarded as a monomanaic.

Free had, according to his confession and the evidence adduced on his trial, led a long career of crime. He married a good, true and virtuous woman, whose precepts and example had he followed would have deferred him from vice. He however, robbed her of all her money, and left for California some years ago. Here he had been known as a thief, highway robber, and finally it is satisfactorily demonstrated that he was engaged in several murders before justice overtook him. The crime for which he has just suffered the extreme penalty of the law was committed some months ago. He was then in the region of Lake Valley, El Dorado, in company with one Kelly Wilson and others, where they encountered two traders.

They decided to kill them.

hours and four minutes in length. 'This will occur on the 18th of December, and the length of the day will only vary a fraction of a minute for nine days from that time, increasing a Question for a Debating Society: -" If single minute on the 27th of December, when fellow has nothing when he gets married, and the day is nine hours and five minutes long .-This day, (Dec. 12th,) is nine hours and fourteen minutes in length. The decrease will only Young ladies, remember next year is be ten minutes more before the days will begin to lengthen again.

THE SHORTEST DAY in the year is nine

CRUCIFYING IN CHINA.—The special correspondent of the New York Times, writing from Canton, relates the following :

"A woman was crucified for the crime of Missourians. There has been some fighting freely and frequently. We have before us having given birth to one of the rebel chiefs .and burning of houses. The Free State men do several accounts. Three Mexicans and a Ger- If a father is a rebel his family is considered the same, and the whole family, from the old man of four score, to the child of four years, share said Legislature was not elected by the citizens Lynch code, and all hung in a row. Six Span- the same fate. The poor woman was nailed to the cross while living, a gash made across the forehead to the bone, and the skin peeled down so as to hang over her eyes; after which the breasts were cut off: they then proceeded to case however, a man named Barclay was hung break every bone in her body; a large knife by the mob at Columbia. He was charged was thrust into her throat and passed downwith having murdered a female. After this ward, cutting the chest open. The executioner then thrust in his hand, and grasping the heart, tore it from its socket and laid it beating Hickory Point, three Free State men, armed in a cemetery. Before his arrest he enjoyed and recking before the Judge. At Shanghai they drown them by dozens.

> OLE BULL OUTDONE .- Mr. Benjamin Adams, genuine son of Connecticut, thus writes to the editor of the New York Tribune :

"I wish to prove we have a Yankee born citizen who is superior on the violin to any that have come on the stage. I can do it. I can play four parts at one time on the violin. I can play whole pieces on one string with one finger only, and with rapidness, and many curious executions I can perform; also, my music will be wholly original, and beholded to no foreign compositor. I commenced playing at seven years of age; have practised for twentynine years, more or less ; never went to music summer suit of white—pants trimmed with a regular Yankee genius in music as some would term it. I could give you quite a history of my life, and manner and style of playing together with my success in gaining the point of playing the instrument, as I consider, to the nicety of it. I can play it with my arms laced with a cord to my body, as well as to have them at liberty.'

Cuicago Grain Market.-Chicago, as a great grain mart, is attracting much attention. Within the last eighteen days, says the Chicago Press, the Marine Bank has paid checks of Mr. arrangement. They were now permitted to E. H. Hadduck, of Chicago, to the amount of \$1.200,000, all of which have been given for was one to a well-known; grain and commission house of Chicago for \$62,000, and one to another extensive business house for \$68,000. Mr. Hadduck is still in the market, as are other his beloved bride, but who the world called his parties also, and we presume will continue to purchase as long as shipments can be made by lake. Last year the total grain trade of Chicago fell short of 15,000,000 bushels. This year it will exceed 20,000,000 bushels.

> Powder Mill Explosion -- We learn that an explosion took place about 8 o'clock on luesday morning, at the powder mill of Mr. Johnson, situated a short distance below Norristown, in consequence of the derangement of the machinery, whereby 500 pounds of the dangerous compound was ignited. The explosion caused an intense excitement in the neighborhood, and the shock was felt for miles around. The mill was blown into atoms, and we are pained to state that one of the workmen, named Michael Webele, was so shockingly burned that he died at 1 o'clock P. M., after suffering the most excrutiating agony. The deceased leaves a large family, who, by this sudden casuality, are deprived of the head of the family, to whom they looked for support .-- Phila Sun.

DURATION OF POSTS .- The result of forty years, experience and observation with me is, see that this is done up right." Crane's last that common fence posts set in the ground words were "Susan, receive me; I'll soon be green, and buttend downwards, will last, in a sandy loam about ten years. The same set in a like situation, inverted, will last fifteen or eighteen years. The same timber, (and soil the same.) well seasoned before setting, will last much longer made into posts than when cut at any other time. I have chesnut and white oak posts standing well that were set 28 years ago. - N. E. Farmer.

THE GRAPE CROP OF CALIFORNIA. - The grape crop of California is said to be very large this year. Last year there were shipped to San Francisco from Southern California not over 500 tons of grapes; whereas this year it is confidently believed the shipments will reach 1,500 tons, exclusive of 200,000 gallons of wine which will be manufactured at Los Angolos. The grapes at San Francisco average from 10 to 12c. per pound to the trade, and from 15 to 25c. at retail. The most extensive arrangements have been made at Los Angelos for the manufacture of the juice of the grape.

NOVEL LEGISLATION .- In the House of Representatives of Pennsylvania, in 1833, while a bill granting pensions to certain revolutionary veterans was pending in that body, Mr. Matthias moved to add a gratuity of forty dollars to one Sarah Cross "the sweetheart of an old soldier," which motion prevailed, 45 to 36!

A gentleman residing in Mount Vernon, Me., has raised in the open air, for the last three years, the coffee plant, the seed of which was brought five years ago from Cuba. It grows about fwo feet high, and produces its berries in pols something like peas. The plants, he says, have matured, even this season, and berries ripened without injury.

Cigars.—Our young friend C. H. Ruha last week favored us with a bunch of Operacigars of exceeding fine flavor. Those who use the weed will always find a good article at his Store.

WHAT GIVES THE SOUTH POWER .- The N. Y. Express gives an article, with a table, showing that the secret of the power of the South in Congress, is in keeping its members in those bodies continually. The north changes its representatives often, and in this way loses that power which old and experienced members