

DREADFUL TRAGEDY.

Two Murders and one Suicide - The Eaton, Ohio, Register of the 23d ult. relates the following most terrible tragedy. Mr. Elam Stevenson, a respectable farmer of Darke county, residing about 9 miles north of Greenville, Ohio, was murdered while asleep, with another member of his family on Friday night last. He retired to bed as usual, in peace and quiet, with his wife and children. At a late hour of the night, as supposed, when the husband and children had fallen asleep, the wife arose from her bed, and having adjusted her clothing, sallied forth, procured an axe, and returning with the same stealthily approached the bed of her sleeping companion, and raising the deadly weapon sunk it deep into his skull cut and mangled him horribly, causing immediate death. She then went to the bed of the slumbering children—a small boy and girl—and renewed her work of destruction. The head of the little boy was almost severed from his body—supposed to have been done with a razor—the little girl was severely though not mortally wounded. The wife—now supposing she had destroyed the whole family—left the house. Having gone a short distance from the dwelling, with a bridle, in hand, attached the rein of which to a young sapling, and there put an end to her own existence, by strangulation, from hanging. The axe and razor mentioned were found near her remains. The children, it appears, were Mr. Stevenson's by a former wife, the latter being his second consort. We have as yet heard no cause assigned for these appalling deeds. But from the circumstances above as related, we have no doubt that the perpetrator of the murder and suicide was at the time laboring under a fit of insanity?

CURIOUS OLD BOOKS.

There are bibliomaniacs here, as well as in England, it appears, for at a late sale in New York, of books from the libraries of the late Duke of Sussex, and Dr. Southey, several curious old works brought very high prices. A black letter copy, printed at Rome, in 1893, of Columbus's letter to Ferdinand and Isabella, announcing the discovery of America, and containing but four pages, was sold at 65 dollars. Various other old works on American History, brought from 10 dollars to 32 dollars a volume; and four illuminated manuscript Romish missals, of vellum 25 and 30 dollars each.

A GOOD SIZED FAMILY.

The Louisville Democrat of the 26th ult says:—On yesterday, an emigrating party passed through our city, consisting of a father, mother, and twenty children. The parents appeared to be about forty five years of age, the three youngest children about six or eight months only. They were travelling in true pedestrian style; the sire leading, the dame superintending the interesting group—whilst three of the eldest daughters were carrying each, one of the babies. Their destination we did not learn, but thing it not improbable the old man is about settling a colony in Oregon.

WHITE NATIVE STRAWBERRY.

A Goodwin, of Ashfield, Mass., describes a kind of Strawberry, which he thinks is a native of the Berkshire Hills. He says:—It is larger than the common field strawberry, very hardy, and yields a great quantity of fruit, producing in succession three or four weeks. When ripe it is of a yellowish white, contrasting beautifully with the red strawberry.—It has a fine flavor, and when picked, cleaves from the hull.

A STRIKE AND TURN OUT.

A turn out has taken place among the workmen on the Valley Railroad at Pottsville. The contractors were paying 80 cents a day, but last week, owing to the great number out of employment in the region, an attempt was made to reduce the wages to 70¢ cents per day during the winter. Several of the workmen were arrested in consequence of preventing, by force, others from working.

Solemn Considerations—Understand well the force of the words—A God! A Moment! An Eternity! A God who sees thee; a moment which flies from thee; an eternity which awaits thee! A God whom ye serve so ill; a moment of which ye profit so little; an eternity which ye hazard so rashly.

Robespierre said in the National Assembly of France, while haranguing against the practice of duelling. 'What can be more inhuman nature, than to see a man render himself superior to insult!'

INTERESTING DECISION.

During the last week, a case, involving a highly important principle in the administration of justice, was decided by Judge Lewis. The dead body of a woman was found under circumstances which rendered it proper to send for the Coroner, who held an inquest for the purpose of inquiring into the cause of her death. The Coroner and the Jury, upon consultation, determined to send for Professor W. L. Adee, for the purpose of making a post mortem examination. This was done, and the result was, that notwithstanding the suspicious appearances, it was demonstrated by the scientific examination of the physician, that she died a natural death from apoplexy. This saved the county the expense of criminal proceedings against the suspected persons, on a charge of murder. Dr Adee presented a very moderate bill for his services, which the Commissioners refused to pay until it was determined that the county was liable. A suit was brought against the county. Judge Lewis determined that in cases of that kind, the services of a physician or surgeon were highly necessary to the proper administration of criminal justice; that where a scientific examination is not made the innocent might frequently be accused unjustly; the guilty, from uncertainty in relation to the cause of death, might occasionally escape; the county might be put to great and unnecessary expense in a fruitless effort to bring offenders to justice; and that if the Coroner, in the exercise of his discretion as an officer, deemed it proper, under such circumstances as existed in this case, to employ a physician, the law implied a contract on the part of the county to pay a reasonable compensation for the services, to be determined by the jury.

The verdict was accordingly rendered for the full amount of his bill.—Lancaster Democrat.

SCARCITY OF WAITERS.

One of the best things we have stumbled upon lately, is the following. 'A gentleman dining at a fashionable hotel where servants were few and far between, dispatched a lad among them for a cut of beef. After a very long time the lad returned, and placed the beef before the faint and hungry gentleman. 'Are you,' said the gentleman, 'the lad who took away my plate for this beef?' 'Yes, sir,' Bless me returned the hungry wit, 'how you have grown since.'

Distressing Accident by Fire.—The dwelling house and barn of Mr. Seymour F. Bredley, at Walton, Delaware county, N. Y. was destroyed by fire on Saturday night last, the 7th inst, and his wife and five children perished in the flames. The fire was accidentally communicated. Mrs. B. was lost in the endeavor to save her children. A child, four years old, followed her, and also fell a victim. The eldest daughter, about eighteen years old, is so badly burned as to render her recovery exceedingly doubtful. A calamity so dreadful seldom falls to the lot of man.

Important to the Ladies.—The Parisian modistes are about getting up a style of female dress, which will send all our belles back to first principles—in plain English, bustles and other extras are to be entirely dispensed with.

The True Case.—Among the disastrous results of the election of Polk and Dallas, heralded in the Whig newspapers, we notice the total failure of a merchant in Ulster. This is no Roubiduck. The gentleman did fail, and his failure was the result of the election of Mr. Polk. The much wronged individual was a dry goods dealer of fair standing, doing business on a moderate capital and extensively on credit. He had bet, in the aggregate, \$21,000 on the election of Clay, and failed within two weeks of the election, for \$27,000. Query—Should his failure be charged to the election of Polk, or to the defeat of Clay.—N. Y. News.

Flourishing.—The Trivoli Sineni Manufactory, just north of Albany, situated on the Patrons' Creek, is in a flourishing condition. It gives employment to about 50 hands, and turns out each year about 100,000 yards of satin of a superior quality.

CHANGE OF TIME.

The people of Main, at their late election, decided that their Legislature shall meet after the present winter on the second Wednesday of May, instead of the first Wednesday of January, as heretofore, by a vote of 32,029 to 10,015.

The newly elected Vice President of Texas; served his time as an apprentice to the shoemaking business.

In Liverpool, Eng. from 25 000 to 40,000 person live in cellars, always damp & low, generally unpared, and devoid of sewers drainage. It is also stated that in Manchester, 9,179 families are living in cellars. Many of them are without floors and nearly dark; and are built below the level of the river.

An old farmer in New Hampshire, who voted against abolishing capital punishment, gave as a reason why he thus voted—That if hanging should be abolished in the state, all those who ought to be hung would be sure to come to New Hampshire to live!

The twentieth Annual Report of the American Sunday School Union states that the contributions to the Treasury during the year have amounted to the large sum of \$14,343 29.

Oranges were the staple of Florida previous to 1835, and some trees were known to be one hundred and fifty years old; but one night in the month of February of that year, a severe frost killed them all, since which this profitable tree has been lost.

The village of Cadiz; Ohio, has been severely afflicted, for some weeks past, with Erysipelas. Some fifteen or twenty persons, it is stated, have been prostrated at one time—eight or ten have died suddenly and the lives of many have been despaired of.

When you see a person continually barking at and abusing those possessed of influence, you may know, that like a dog at the foot of the trees, he barks because he can't climb.

RICH DISCOVERIES

A silver mine has been opened in East Tennessee of great value. The company who own the mine are making extensive preparations for working it. The ore, it is said, is very rich, being considered worth two hundred and fifty dollars per ton.

OUR TREASURES.

Discoveries of valuable iron ore have been made in the lower Anthracite region of Pennsylvania, a little North East of Harrisburg.

Mr. CLAY.—The editor of the Richmond Whig has seen a letter from Mr. Clay to Mr. Bous, in which he regards his public life as ended, and in reply to the application of his friends to return to the Senate, declares his purpose of passing the remainder of his days in the tranquility of his farm.

The Smithsonian Bequest.—At this time, the interest due to the Smithsonian Bequest Fund, by the Treasurer of the United States, amounts to \$182,000 and the whole fund to \$890,000. It will be a matter for earnest discussion during the present session of Congress, as to the best means of applying this money.

GROWTH OF BOSTON.

The number of permits taken out for the erection of buildings in Boston, from January to December, was 1132; in East Boston 295; in South Boston 198. Total 1625.

EARTHQUAKE.

A slight shock of an earthquake was felt in Portland about 4 o'clock on Wednesday morning. It was accompanied by a noise similar to the rumbling of the cars over the railroad bridge.

A severe shock was felt at Knoxville and Athens, Tenn' on the 24th ult.

DEATH OF HON. THOMAS MORRIS.

The Hon. Thomas Morris, the candidate of the Liberty party for the Vice Presidency, died suddenly at his residence near Bethel, Clermont county, Ohio, on Saturday morning a week. He was apparently in vigor and health before his decease. He has been a member of the Legislature Judge United States Senator, &c.

Henry S. Spackman, Esq. of Philadelphia, formerly a member of the House of Representatives of this State, and more recently a member of Senate, has been received as a candidate for Holy orders by the standing committee of the Protestant Episcopal Church, of the diocese of Pennsylvania. Mr. S. was always regarded as an able and efficient legislator, and will doubtless prove still more useful in his new vocation.

WESTERN RIVERS.

The St. Louis Revue of the 4th inst, reports from the upper Mississippi, that Fever river was entirely frozen over, and below Galena the floating ice is five or six inches thick. The river is very low, there being but about two feet of water on the upper and eighteen inches on the lower rapids, and falling

Shocking Occurrence on the Pottsville Railroad.—The Miners' Journal mentions two shocking occurrences on the Pottsville Railroad, last week. One was the death of a son of Millena, of Schuylkill Haven, who was killed while talking to his mother in consequence of the backing of the train. The other was a more lamentable affair involving probably the lives of three persons. We copy the occurrence from the Pottsville Journal.

On Thursday, as a coal train was going down, coupling broke and the train became detached. After the engine and part of the train passed through the first bridge above Port Clinton, the watchman, supposing the whole train had passed, went to examine whether any sparks had fallen in the bridge, according to his usual custom. One of his children followed him, and also his wife. After they were on the bridge some distance, they observed the balance of the train approaching, when both parents rushed to save the child—but unfortunately too late to make their escape—the cars passed over it (three) completely severing the head from the child; cutting off the leg of the man and the arm of the woman. We have not learned the names of the sufferers.

Value of Newspapers.—A thousand times, says the Worcesterfield Courier, have we heard this question and answer:—Two gentlemen meet—'What's the news?' says one. 'Nothing but what you see in the papers.' They pass on about their business. Has it ever been noticed that among the thousand benefits of a newspaper, not the least is, that it does away at once with little tattle gossip, street yarn, (with exaggeration, scandal, and news mongering which once took up so much of the time of those who were always hearing or telling some new thing. Our real evil of social life is thus ended. The man rises in the morning, looks over the paper, and is satisfied that he knows all worth knowing of the passing history of the world.—He has nothing to tell and nothing to hear together. He does not spend his time in getting information which his neighbor knows as well as himself. He is not annoyed in the midst of his business or pleasures by the recital of affairs in which he takes no interest. The same with women. Conversations gratified without loss of time. The scandal of the day has not employed a hundred busy meddling tongues in its circulation and exaggeration. Conversation takes a higher tone. Principles of morals and taste are discussed; the new poem, the last book, the magazine, or the review, becomes the subject of conversation. Even the minor matters of life, society owes a large debt to the newspaper.

Henry Clay, on the 10th inst, emigrated with his secretaries, Charles Dupuy, Charles five years ago, travelled through Canada with his master, but declined all solicitations to leave him.

The Hon James Fish, formerly a member of the House of Representatives of the United States, died at Wanton, Va. in the 82d year of his age.

FREEDOM TO THE BOND.

Nathaniel Hood, of Kings county, lately deceased, left by his will, nearly all his slaves free, amounting to some two or three hundred, with ample provision to carry them to Liberia.

A Paris paper states that the 500th anniversary of the introduction of potatoes in Europe was celebrated a few days since at Munich.

In our list we mentioned the death of Mr. John Finston, of Madison. We have since learned, that he enlisted into the army of the Revolution, was taken prisoner and confined on board the Jersey Prison Ship. After being exchanged, he returned to the service, and remained in it during the war, and obtained an honorable discharge. We question whether he was not the last survivor of those who were confined on board that horrible prison.

INTERESTING

MARRIED.—On Sunday the 8th, by the Rev. R. B. Claxton, pastor of St. Stephens Church; Miss FRANCIS L. BOWMAN, a Miss ANGLINA, eldest daughter of Samuel D. Brooks, Esq. of Wilkes Barre.

At the same time and place, by the same Mr. JOSEPH P. LUCKER, Jr. to Miss AMANOA, daughter of John R. Dean, Esq. of Wilkes Barre.

On Sunday the 15th inst. in Briereck by the Rev. Mr. Mills, Mr. DANIEL MEYER, to Miss AMANDA SHUBERT, both of Sugarloaf township, Luzerne co.

THE MARKETS.

Table with 2 columns: Commodity and Price. Includes items like Wheat, Rye, Corn, Cloverseed, Flaxseed, Butter, Oil, Eggs, Tallow, Lard, Dried Apples, White Beans, and Beeswax.

CHARLES R. BUCKALEW; Attorney at Law. BLOOMSBURG, PA. Office South side of Main st. opposite Eyer & Hefley's Store. WILL ATTEND COURTS IN THE COUNTIES OF COLUMBIA AND LUZERNE.

List of Jurors. For January Term, 1845.

Grand Jurors. Bloom—Caleb Barton, Peter Mench George W Abbott. Briereck—D. A. Bowman. Catawissa—Joseph Drobst. Derry—William Hendershott, Thomas Monaghan, Michael Snyder, Louis Miller, Robert M. Kee. Franklin—Jacob Shultz, Samuel Shick. Greenwood—Daniel Fox. Liberty—John Hopper. Mahoning—Edward Morrison, T. S. Hubbard. Sewell Gibbs, David Roberts. Monroe—Stephen Lazarus, John Fry. Madison—Charles Carahan, John Moore. Rosaring creek—Reuben Faringer, Amos Brown.

TRAVERSE JURORS—Jan. 1845

Bloom—Peter Rat, Peter Hinton, John Shuman, L. B. Rupert. Catawissa—Joseph Hartmann, Peter Badine. Derry—Thomas Foster, Esq. Fishing creek—John Allger, John M. Buckalew, Alexander Kremer, John Henry. Greenwood—Thomas Davis, Jonas Hayman, John Good, Peter Gorton. Liberty—Daniel Cotner, Michael Shives. Mahoning—Thomas Brandon, James Gaskins, Joseph Hartman, Stephen Morse, Simon P. Koss. Sharples Taylor. Millin—Benjamin Hanch, Peter Yohr, Stephen H. Miller. Madison—William Runyan. Monroe—George Kaufman. Orange—William Whitman, John Achenbach, Alfred Howell. Rosaring creek—Peter Herbine, Asahay Deagle, Esq. Sugarloaf—William Kile. Franklin—William Bird. Valley—James Boutman.

LAP SHINGLES.

A few thousand LAP SHINGLES, and a TWO HORSE SLED, for sale or exchange for any kind of Country Produce. Enquire of the PRINTER.

FAIR! FAIR!

THE Ladies of Berwick are holding a fair on Christmas (the 25th inst) at the Academy, the proceeds of which are to be applied to the benefit of the Presbyterian Church in this place. A general assortment of Fancy Articles will be offered for sale; also a Table of Refreshments consisting of Oysters, Ice-Creams, Hot Coffee, &c. Fair will open at 10 o'clock A. M. and continue during the day and evening. The public are respectfully invited to attend.

Estate of MARY FORCE, late of Mt. Pleasant township, Columbia county, deceased. NOTICE is hereby given, that the subscriber, N. resident in Mount Pleasant Township, in said county, has administered on the estate of MARY FORCE, deceased. All persons having claims against the estate are hereby required to make them known to the subscriber without delay. GEORGE KNAM, Administrator. Mount Pleasant township, Dec. 9, 1844. 6x34

ESTRAYS, GAME into the enclosure of the subscriber, about the last of September, one RED HEIFER and a RED STEER, with white ears, supposed to be about two years old. The owner is requested to prove property, pay charges and take them away, or they will be disposed of according to law. JOHN VANCE. Orange township, December 6, 1844. 34

TAKE NOTICE.

WHAT we have this day purchased at Court, to be sold as the property of Peter Eveland, enter, one clock—one bureau—one iron kettle—2 bags—2 tons of hay—one black cow—one heifer—one sorrel mare—and grey mare—two sets of harness—one two horse wagon—500 shaves of rye—and one sled, and have left the same in his possession during our pleasure. DANIEL PEELER. PETER EVELAND Jr. Filing took October 13 1844 34

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given, that we have this day purchased at Constable sale, as the property of William Cunningham, the following property to wit: one bay horse one brown mare, set of horse gears, one cow, one calf, three sheep, five hogs, one wagon and bed, two harness, three ploughs one cutting box and knife, one trade and two plough grass scyths, one and a half ton of hay; fifty bushels of corn in the ears one lot of clover seed, half of seven acres of rye in the ground, half of six acres of wheat in the ground, two sleds, one clock one lot of rye in the sheaf, one lot of fiver fifteen bushels Potatoes, all of which we have left with said Cunningham; during our pleasure. E. & J. LAZARUS. Orangeville, Nov. 30, 1844.

JUSTICE BLAFKS, EXECUTIONS & SUMMONS, For Sale at this Office.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

BY virtue of a writ of vend. exponas, to me directed, I will expose to public sale, at the Court House, in Luzerne, on Saturday, the 25th day of December, next, at one o'clock, P. M. the following property, to wit:—A certain Parcel of Land situated in Briereck township, Columbia county, containing

212 Acres,

more or less. Bounded on the east by the Spring River, on the west by the main road which runs from Bloomsburg to Berwick, and adjoining lots of John Bowman and other lands of descent, all of which is in a high state of cultivation, whereon is erected a large Frame Dwelling House, a large Bank Barn, and other out buildings. Said and taken in execution and to be sold as the property of Gilbert Fowler.

ALSO,

BY virtue of a plu. vend. exponas to me directed will be exposed to public sale at the same time and place, the following property to wit:—A certain lot in the town of Berwick, situate on front street and Millers street; and adjoining a lot of Robert M. Curly and others, the plan of said town, whereon is erected a large

STORE HOUSE,

TWO DWELLING HOUSES, and a Frame Stable.

and other out buildings. Seized taken in execution and to be sold as the property of Gilbert Fowler.

ALSO,

BY virtue of a writ of vend. exponas, to me directed, will be exposed to public sale, at the same time and place.

A certain Lot or parcel of ground, situate in Bloom township, in the county of Columbia, and marked in a certain plan of lots laid out by the administrators of the estate of Ludwig Eyer deceased, adjoining the said town of Bloomsburg, N. 1 (number one) beginning at a post on the land now owned by the Rev. George C. Trake, and first street of said town, and running thence along the said street north sixty one degrees E. 10 perches and three tenths of a perch to a post; hence by lot No. 2 in the said plan owned by Caleb Barton, No. 31 degrees, and a half west fifteen perches to a post, on a nine feet alley thence along said alley south sixty degrees west 10 perches and three tenths to a post; thence along the lot of said Rev. G. C. Drake 29 degrees E. fifteen perches and six tenths to the place of beginning containing one acre strict measure by the same survey or less.

Upon the premises is a large TWO STORY BRICK HOUSE.

Seized taken in execution and to be sold as the property of Jacob Grout.

BRAM DERR, Sheriff

Sheriff's Office, Danville, Dec. 4, 1844.

New Goods,

Seasonable and Cheap.

EVER & HEFLEY

HAVE just received from Philadelphia, and are now opening a large assortment of

NEW GOODS,

which they offer to the public at the most reduced prices for

CASH OR COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Their stock of goods consists in part, of Superfine common and coarse cloths, cassimers, Sateens, Muslins, Silks, Satins, Mousseline de Laines, Lawes, Merinos, Laces, American Nankins, broad Holland, Flannels, Batts and cotton Velvets, Silk and cotton Handkerchiefs, Ladies' and Gentlemen's White & colored Hose, Gloves and Mitts

OF ALL SORTS AND SIZES,

COFFEES

SUGARS, COFFEES & TEAS

of assorted qualities,

MOJASSES, FISH & SPERM OIL,

Tobacco, Snuff, Spices, Salt, Soap, Candles, &c. &c

LIVERPOOL

CRINA GLASS

AND

Queensware

of every description that may be required.

Hardware, Cutlery &c,

OF ALL KINDS.

Bar, Rolled, Hoop and Band Iron and Wagon Tire of every description that may be called for.

A large assortment of Plane bits, chisels, Files, Shovels and Tongs, Knives & Forks, Pocket and Pen Knives, Tables and Tea Spoons, coffee Mills, Flax seed Oil, and spirits of Turpentine, sweeping brushes, weavers brushes, broom brushes, wash brushes, corn brooms, &c. The public are requested to call and examine for themselves before they purchase elsewhere. We sell cheap and no mistake. Bloomsburg, Nov. 9, 1844.—29.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Conral Hess late of Sugarloaf township deceased. NOTICE is hereby given that letters of administration on the above mentioned estate have been granted to the subscriber residing in the township of Sugarloaf. All persons indebted to the said Estate are hereby notified to make in immediate payment, and those having claims are requested to present them properly and certified to.

WILLIAM LESS, Adm'r. November 16, 1844.—10.