

We are requested to state that there will be divine services in the Court House, to-morrow afternoon, (Sunday), at 3 o'clock.

BLACK.—The iron-rail around the Court House Yard, is now being painted black. This is a decided improvement and will add material to the appearance of our county-seat.

Gen. Walker has abandoned Niagara, the President expects to thrash Brigham Young, and Gov. Walker the disturbers of Kansas—and why should the people not rejoice at the coming forth of July. Wake up, ye patriotic spirits.

FRUIT.—Were we to judge of the fruit prospect in this neighborhood, by the blossoms and young fruit already set on the trees, we should say that we will be blessed this summer with plenty of apples, pears, plums, cherries, and, we hope, a tolerable good crop of peaches. Rejoice, all ye lovers of fruit!

ORGAN GRINDERS.—Several of these traveling bodies have been promenading our streets during the past week, discoursing their accustomed strains. One big, strapping fellow, got what he deserved in the way of a "good ducking," while he was trifling with the streets, with his doleful music.

MELODIUS.—On last Saturday evening, we had the pleasure of listening to the Lutheran Choir, of this place, which had met in the basement story of the Court House, for the purpose of rehearsing sacred music. Their singing was excellent, but we suppose it will be far more so when they get within the walls of their new Church.

RAIN! RAIN! RAIN!—The pluvial deities have certainly assembled together in some of the upper temples of the sky and passed resolutions to upset their "anti-Croton reservoir," in one overwhelming torrent upon the poor inhabitants of Earth. Scarcely a day passes without a shower of rain, and the drops fall faster, thicker, larger, and more heavily, than we have ever before seen in this latitude. Such showers are very common here, undoubtedly, to the frogs; for they snore and sing most lustily, every evening, upon the outskirts of town. At this writing the clouds are murky, and no doubt they will soon pour the old business and rain, rain, rain.

TEARING DOWN BILLS.—We often notice that hand-bills posted up about town are torn down or defaced almost as soon as they are put up. This is wrong—the persons having them put up have invested a certain amount of capital and expect to derive a benefit therefrom, which they do not realize. To persons who are guilty of this, it is an act for which they might be furnished with a hearing for several weeks or months on the hill, with Stephen H. Miller, Esq. It is hoped, therefore, that if there are those whose evil dispositions lead them to commit a wrong, the fear of the law in this as well as in other cases may act as a restraint.

OUR DEVIL AND THE COMET.—This illustrious visitor is now retreating from our view, after having shown himself, clothed in golden apparel, traveling through the realm of stars and planets, to pay his devotion to the sun. Our devil, whether from fear or curiosity, the other night mounted our pig-sty for the purpose of taking observations, with an instrument made of brass. This was on last Monday night, just after the storm, and the sky cleared with clouds and not a star to be seen. We mentioned to him the impossibility of seeing the comet while so cloudy; but he only laughed, and said we were not scientific. When he had arranged our saw-horse upon an old ash barrel to suit his purpose, he requested us to hand up his instrument, (pointing at the same time to a large collection of old brass instruments, which he procured for the occasion.) We smiled at the idea, but said nothing, as we were not scientific, and complied with his request. We then left, wishing him success. In the morning we asked him what was the result of his labor; he replied "a magnificent view of the comet." We also asked him, how he managed his instrument to see so far, when he replied that "he took a copy of a paper, printed in this neighborhood during the late Presidential campaign, on account of its wonderful magnifying powers, and its ability to see through the thick, black clouds that hung between it and the comet; it is longed to see." My next step was to mesmerize myself, and form a connection with my instrument, and that with the all-pervading spirit of nature, when all things became visible to me—stars, planets, comets, sun, and some objects not yet thought of by philosophers—oh, it was a sight! He looked upwards, his eyes beaming with intense brightness. After a few moments, he assumed his natural appearance, and said: "I will try and give you a description of what I saw; but the process by which I prepared these papers for my purpose must remain for a time unknown to mankind."

Columbia Democrat.

The following are the receipts to the office of the COLUMBIA DEMOCRAT, during the month of May, 1857:

Table listing names and amounts of subscriptions to the Columbia Democrat for the month of May 1857.

We are grateful to our friends, whose names stand above, for their prompt payments. We trust others will imitate their noble example and pay us our just dues. Money sent us by mail will be at our risk, the receipt of which will be promptly acknowledged.

Special Notices.

SUFFERERS with Diseases of the Bladder, Kidneys, Gravel, Dropsy, Weakness, &c., read the advertisement in another column, headed "Hutchinson's Genuine Preparation."

The Five Per Cent. Saving Fund of the National Savings Company, Mutual Office, southwest corner of Third Street, Philadelphia, has nearly one million and a half of Dollars in its hands.

THOMAS W. MATSON, Received the Prize Medal at the World's Fair in London for his Invention of a new kind of Sewing Machine, and Great Inducements are now offered to purchasers of the same.

THE DEMOCRATIC NOMINEE FOR GOVERNOR.—A correspondent writes that as soon as Gen. Hancock heard that he had been nominated for Governor by the Democratic Convention at Harrisburg, he declared himself overjoyed, and avowed his determination to take the stump as early as possible.

WOODLAND CREAM.—A mode for beautifying the hair—highly popular, a superior French article imported, and sold by the half or dozen.

WATERING HOUSES.—A list of watering houses in the State of Pennsylvania, with their respective owners and terms.

THE VITAL PRINCIPLES.—A treatise on the vital principles of the human body, and the means of preserving them.

THE THONASIAN SILENCE.—A notice regarding the Thonianian Silence and its effects on the human mind.

OUR DEVIL AND THE COMET.—A notice regarding the appearance of the comet and the author's observations.

EQUALITY OF PRICES.—A notice regarding the equality of prices for goods and services.

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LIST OF DEALERS

OF GOODS, WARES AND MERCHANDISE, &c., and Dealers, Wholesale and Retail, in the County of Columbia, returned and classified with the several rates of duty, by the Appraiser of Merchandise, &c., of said county, as follows, to-wit:

Table listing various goods and their prices, categorized by type of goods.

SWAN & CO'S LOTTERIES.

THE MOST BRILLIANT SCHEME EVER DRAWN

Capital Prize \$60,000.

TICKETS ONLY \$10.

OWING to the great success with which our Single Number Lottery has been received by the public, and the large demand for Tickets, the Managers, Swan & Co., will have a drawing each Saturday throughout the year.

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