Horrible Murder in Philadelphia.

The Philadelphia papers of Saturday contained somewhat the most appalling tragedy which was perpetrated in that city on the 10th inst. The victims were two married sisters, named Hannah Shaw and Ellen Lynch. They resided in the second story of a house in Federal street, in upper portion of the premises being in the occupancy of John Carroll and wife. Mrs. and Mrs. Carroll attended a ball in Broad street on the night of the 10th, but returned to the home about 7 o'clock on Friday morning, when she found the bodies of the murdered women lying on the floor within a few feet of each other, bruised and cut in a most awful manner, the floor streaming with blood. There were no less than forty-nine deep cuts on the body of one of the victims. The alarm being given, a crowd of persons soon collected in the spot, and commenced an investigation of the horrible affair. From all the facts, it seems that the object of the murder was plunder; the trunk of Mrs. Lynch, which contained a few hundred dollars in gold, was broken open and the contents taken therefrom. An attempt was also made to burn the house, by placing some fuel upon the floor, which burnt through and fell harmless into the cellar. No certain trace has been found of the assassin, although several persons have been arrested on suspicion. Among them a Sing-Sing convict, named Arthur Spring.

PHILADELPHIA, March 15.—A hearing in the recent shooting affair came took place this afternoon at the County prison, before Aldermen Isard—Joseph Doran appearing as counsel for the prisoner, Arthur Spring, and Aaron Thompson as counsel for young Spring.

The most important evidence was that submitted by young Spring, a lad of 17 years, and son of the accused. The sheath of the dirk found under the body of Mrs. Lynch was identified by the boy as the dirk formerly belonged to himself, and was taken from him by his father. The lad pipe was also identified as having been taken from the tavern where they boarded. On the night of the murder, the prisoner came home about 11 o'clock, and was let in the back door by his son. His father give him several gold pieces to hide, and he gave them back to him. His father then told him that he had murdered two bitches and set fire to the house, and burnt the ends of his fingers in doing so. He also brought water for his father, and he washed some blood from his hands.

Young Spring further testified that his father gave him next morning, $10 gold pieces, with which the son bought clothes for his father and himself, and, with the $8 change received, paid for their board at the tavern, which was the only cash received from them while living there.

In cross examination the prisoner's counsel put questions, interpreted by his client, which elicited that the father was endeavoring to induce himself by murdering his son and a still younger boy, named Fogey, with the assistance of Young Spring himself with much feeling and propriety. But at one time was so severe as to almost faint. He was able to answer all the questions put by his father's counsel.

The prisoner was fully committed for trial, and the case will go to the grand Jury to-morrow.

The son's evidence was confirmed by the bones on his father's fingers.

The Climate of Australia.

There are days, and, in some years, whole weeks together, of delightful weather, cool and bracing as Spring in England, but more beautiful and enjoyable. Excepting about twenty-five extremely hot days, and sixty disagreeable wet or cold days, the weather throughout the year is indescribably pleasant, the air is balmy and bright, scarcely a cloud is visible, and the sun looks down from the deep blue sky in unveiled splendor. Day and night are of nearly equal length throughout the year. The sun never remains above the horizon more than about fourteen and a half hours, nor less than ten and a half; and as twilight does not linger in these latitudes, the change from day to night, and from night to morning, are to Englishmen exceedingly abrupt. The nights are enchanting. The southern constellations shine forth from the hard dark heavens in unrivalled brightness, and the haloed moon pours forth her chastened radiance on the plains and hills with such refulgence that every thing for miles around is distinctly visible. The light of both the sun and moon is more intense than in Britain. I should say the difference is as five to three.

Washington Territory.

Washington, created by the last Congress, comprises that part of Oregon which lies north of the channel of Columbia river, to where it crosses the 46th degree of latitude, and thence along said degree of latitude, to the top of the Rocky Mountains. The land occupied by missionary stations, not exceeding 640 acres to each, together with the improvements, is reserved confirmed to the Missionary Societies respectively which established the same. Stations that were so occupied prior to the passage of the Act authorizing the Territory of Oregon, are also confirmed to the Societies which established them, even though they have since been abandoned.

RAILROADS IN MINNESOTA.—There is perhaps as much interest felt in Minnesota at this time upon the subject of railroads as in any other part of the country. Before the adjournment of the present Legislative Assembly, charters will have been passed incorporating a company to construct a road between St. Paul and St. Anthony; from the Mississippi to Fond du Lac on Lake Superior; from St. Paul or St. Anthony to the Iowa line—one part of the Lake Superior and Mississippi road, and we hope also to announce the passage of a charter looking to the construction of a road directly from the State of Wisconsin towards Milwaukie and Chicago.—*St Paul of Minnesotian.*

OHIO CAPITAL.—A comparison of 14 different State Capitals is given, showing that the Ohio State House will far surpass any other in the country. In round numbers the ground covered by the Capitol at Washington is 61,000 square feet—of Ohio, 56,000—of Tennessee, 32,000—of North Carolina, Pennsylvania and Illinois, each 14,000—of Massachusetts and New York, 10,000—of Michigan, 5000, size. The Legislature of Illinois will, if they be larger than at Washington. Not estimate is given of the probable total least of the structure, but it is approach a million, and be finished in three or four years.

Rules prepare the way for offence at the commission. The desire of flattery is as powerful as the power by which foods on.

THE STAR AND BANNER

GETTYSBURG.

Friday Evening, March 18, 1853.

AN APPRENTICE WANTED.

☞A boy of good character and steady habits, of suitable size and age, desirous of learning the printing business, can find a good situation at this Office, by making early application.

☞ REMOVAL. ☜

After our next issue the Star will be REMOVED to the three story building in Baltimore street, formerly the residence of Hon. D. M. Smyser—a few doors above Fahnestock's Store.

A New Volume.

☞The present No. of the "*Star*" commences a new volume—the paper having been commenced 24 years ago—upwards of seven of which it has been in the hands of the present proprietors. We this favorable occasion to renew our cordial acknowledgments to the friends who have so generously stood by us and contributed to the support of the establishment by their patronage and influence. It may be gratifying to them to be assured that at no time since the "Star" passed into our hands has it been in better condition or more generously patronized than during the past year.—We hope to merit a continuance of these friendly offices, and shall be pleased to add to our list of patrons the names of many who do not as yet take the paper. We receive weekly accessions, but there is still room for a large number of names. There are many who take the Paper, and pay sons county that do not take a County paper, and a word or two from each of our present patrons in favor of the "Star," may secure an important accession to our list.

We also take this occasion to remind our *delinquent patrons* that we would like to have all our Old Accounts squared up without delay. We have never sent out a Collector, but will be compelled to resort to that method of settling upon books during the coming summer. Our books have been standing upon better than seven years—We are disposed to close them up, and start "fresh." Those who know themselves indebted to us can, in the mean time, call and settle payment.

The Death Warrant

☞Sheriff Scott on Monday last, received from Gov. BIGLER, the Warrant commanding him to execute the sentence of death pronounced by our Court, at the late term against JAMES GRAY, a negro (colored man, convicted of the murder of SAMUEL MARS, last summer,) on *Friday the 15th day of April next*, between the hours of 10 A. M., and 3 P. M.—four weeks from to-day. GRAY, since his sentence, has been laboring to prepare himself for the terrible doom awaiting him, evidently, however, not without some hope of being relieved in some way or other by the extreme penalty of the law. He became much affected upon the warrant being read to him, and asked the Sheriff "if nothing could be done for him?"

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Appointments for Carlisle District.

The following are the appointments made for this (Carlisle) district, by the annual Conference of the M. E. Church, in session last week at Hagerstown—Bishop Morris presiding:

G. B. TYSON, P. E.
Carlisle Station—W. Wilke.
Carlisle Circuit—J. Monroe, W. Guynn.
Newville—A. M. Baratta, H. W. Ewing.
Shippensburg—J. C. Dice.
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Mercersburg—D. Hartsuff, one to be supplied.
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Montgomery—J. W. Cullum, B. P. Brown.
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York Springs—J. R. Durborow, S. W. Price.
York—R. S. Yates.
Wrightsville—W. C. Steel.
Dickinson College—C. Collins, President; O. P. Tiffany, Professor.
R. S. Maxwell, Missionary to China.

Conference adjourned on Friday evening. Next Conference to be held in Baltimore City Station, March 1, 1854.

The Guillotine at Work.

☞The Washington letter writers are busy in announcing the removals and appointments by the new administration. The President has sent to the Senate a large number of nominations, including Mr. Greene, of the Boston Post, as Naval officer at Boston; Charles H. Peck, Collector of Boston; H. W. Bishop, Sub-treasurer of Boston; Gen. Lane, Governor of Oregon; Lewis Cass, of Pennsylvania, Charge to Naples; with a number of Postmasters, Marshals, &c.

It is said that Chief Clerks in the Treasury Department had notice to leave on Tuesday. On the other hand, Secretary Matey, of the State Department, and Secretary Davis, of the War Department, are expected to have given no such notice. They would be removed by them, who had properly attended to their duties.

No Licenses in Mercer County.

☞The people of Mercer county presented remonstrances to the Court at the last term, against the granting of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors in that county. The Judges, in the exercise of the discretion vested in them by law, rejected all the applications for license—the Court not believing the licenses "necessary" to accommodate strangers and travellers."

TROUBLE AHEAD.—A Democratic correspondent of the Wilkesbarre *Advocate*, says that there is much dissatisfaction in his party with the nominations recently made at Harrisburg. In one there is a strong desire felt to have a Coal Consumer in the Northern part of the State, and thinks if the Whig party nominates a candidate in that section, that he will succeed. He says the nomination of Bonham, for Canal Commissioner, has been laboring to prepare himself for the terrible doom awaiting him, evidently, however, not without some hope of being relieved in some way or other by the extreme penalty of the law. He became much affected upon the warrant being read to him, and asked the Sheriff "if nothing could be done for him?"

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Notices.

☞*Graham's Magazine* for April is before us, with an interesting table of contents and much improved in appearance. Most of the articles are original, several of them being handsomely illustrated. The enterprising publisher richly deserves a liberal patronage from the friends of American literature.

☞*Harper's Magazine* for March has been upon our table for several days, with its usual attractions. The circulation continues to grow in popularity, its circulation being already far beyond any of its similar publications.

☞*Peterson's Monthly* has reached us 3d number, giving evidence of ability that bids fair to put it in the front rank of American periodicals. The March No. opens with an interesting sketch "The empire of Japan, followed by a series of articles which would do credit to Blackwood—all from American writers.

☞*The Evangelical Review* for April completes its fourth volume. Ably conducted and neatly printed, it has gone on from strength to strength, and the publication of the last number has appeared to be sufficient to justify its continuance. With new type for a sharper and clearer impression it would be one of the handsomest publications of the day.

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☞*The Pennsylvania Farm Journal* for March, opens with the 3d volume. The publishers announce improvements for our next volume, not only in its internal matter, but in its style of publication and illustration. No farmer should be without this excellent publication, which is furnished at the low rate of 50 cents a year. Isaac Meredith & Co., publishers, West Chester, Pa.

☞We are indebted to the publishers of the "*Philadelphia Saturday Courier*" for a copy of this publication. The illustrations are large, varied and hands nely gotten up. The enterprise ought to succeed and no doubt will—Between being out of the basket.

☞Having complied with the request of the publishers, we have received the "*Lady's Book and the Knickerbocker*—we should blot them full their part of the contract.

ALTERED NOTES.—There are in circulation five dollar bills of the Farmers and Mechanics Bank of Middletown, Del., altered from one's of the same bank. The alterations are so well executed as to deceive the best judges, unless the difference between the paper of the one's and the five's of note of this bank be observed. The best rule to detect them is to place them side by side with the one dollar bill, when it will be found that they are the same, save the alteration. It is a dangerous note, and the public should be cautioned against it.

COMPLIMENTARY.—On the nomination of J. P. Brawley, for Surveyor General, a member of the Democratic Convention stated that he could not rally the party, as he could not get the Temperance people to vote for him. Mr. Brawley is a Whig! and that what would be lost in that way would be more than made up to him, in the votes of Whig "rum-sukers!"

☞Gov. Bigler has signed the bill to close the trusts of the U. S. Bank and settle the judgment obtained by the State for money expended in 1840, 41 and 42 to pay the State $150,000. The affairs of the Bank are to be wound up as fast as possible, and whatever balance, if any, remains after paying the creditors, will be divided *pro rata* among the stockholders.

☞A fire originated in Baston from a magnifying glass, which reflected the rays of the sun, bringing them to a focus on the window, and whenever they struck on wood they burned into it, charring the frame in many places. A piece of paper placed against the window was act on fire, and indeed, the heat was so intense that it instantly burned whatever it touched. When first discovered, the frame of the window was blazing.

☞The Maine Law movement in Rhode Island continues with unabated vigor—The State Temperance Convention which assembled at Providence last Tuesday is said to have been the largest ever convened in the State, the hall being crowded to excess. A large number of clergymen, representing all denominations, were present, and every county in the State was represented. The utmost enthusiasm prevailed and a series of resolutions were adopted in favor of the prohibitory, or Maine liquor law. No particular political action was recommended, other than securing prohibitory law men without regard to party.

☞An important and interesting charter election was held in Detroit last week—the question at issue being the Common School system. The Catholic Bishop claimed separate schools for Catholic children, and both the regular party tickets being suspected of favoring the demand, an "independent Common School" ticket was run and elected by over 2,000 majority!

☞Hon. F. W. Hughes, Secretary of the Commonwealth, has resigned, and the Governor has commissioned the Hon. Chas. A. Black, formerly member of the Senate from Greene county, as Secretary. It is understood that Mr. Hughes resigned for the purpose of accepting the appointment of Attorney General of the Commonwealth now vacant.

☞A "Maine Yankee," in the National Intelligencer gives notice of an invention of a form of a road and improved locomotive, which will safely transport the mails and passengers at the rate of one hundred miles per hour!

☞A young lady, with $10,000, advertises in the New York Tribune for a "Presbyterian or Dutch reformed husband."

☞The New York *Tribune* says Messrs. and Kossuth had no hand in the outbreak at Milan; that the leaders are not ready yet.

Books Posted.

The Whig party, (says the New York Tribune,) has just surrendered the Administration of the General Government, which like those of our State and City Governments, is now completely in the hands of its principal antagonists. Though embarrassed and crippled by distraction in its own councils and a strong adverse majority throughout both Houses of Congress, it has done some things worthy of note as a transfer of Executive power—possibly of remembrance hereafter.

It has preserved Peace from first to last, in the face of a strong popular tendency to warlike aggression on the rights of neighboring Nations. No foreign State has complained—none has had reason to complain—of any deficiency in good faith or good neighborhood on the part of our Government since Gen. Taylor's inauguration. And there is not today a speck of war upon our horizon, nor is there likely to be, until our Government shall see fit to create it.

It has done all that it has had power to do for National development and political progress. Never crowding upon the Aboriginal tribes, though sometimes constrained to repel their ravage from our border settlements, it has purchased many millions of acres of their territories and paid them liberally therefor. It has expended Millions in organizing, protecting, surveying, &c., the new Territories required under its predecessor from Mexico or created out of more Northerly domain. During the past year, steps have been expended in building Custom Houses, Post-Offices, Marine Hospitals, &c. in all parts of the Country. And, though systematically restricted and baffled in its efforts to improve our Harbors, efforts to effect something for our more exposed and crippled Industrial pursuits, it has had the satisfaction of obtaining at least one handsome Appropriation for Harbor Improvement, and succeeded in so far vetoed by Polk during the previous Administration.

It leaves about Sixteen Millions of hard Coin in the Treasury, although the second great payment of National interest—Public Loans—have been nearly squeezed throughout its term by the issue of Bounty Warrants to soldiers in the Mexican and earlier wars. And, although the unusual reduction of our Public Debt under the Administration has not been large, the *real* reduction of that Debt, through the payment of indemnity to Mexico and to our own citizens holding claims against her for spoliations which our Government assumed to compel her to pay, so as to satisfy, the payment of indemnity to Texas for the surrender of her pretensions to New Mexico, the payment of Texas and other claims against the Government, and the allowance of Bounty Lands to old Soldiers (which is only justifiable on the assumption that it is done in satisfaction of an equitable claim on the Nation) must altogether amount to many millions of dollars.

Finally, the National Credit stands higher at this moment than ever before, and a loan could be effected on terms more favorable to the Treasury than at any former period.

Such are the material circumstances unconnected with the Whig party surrenders to its antagonist the executive power of the Federal Government. Its official ascendancy has not been brilliant, for it has stolen nothing from other nations; it has not been eventful and stirring, for it has waged no war upon Industry, Commerce, or Credit at home. No honest, enterprising, law-abiding citizen has slept perturbedly through the night from apprehension that some Removal of the Deposits, Specie Circular, or what not, would derange his business or blast his prospects before the morning.

All these, we are quite aware, are very tame, slow considerations in such a progressive age and with such a progressive people as ours. We do not hope by presenting them, to arrest the attention of those now intently engrossed in the distribution of "the spoils." We have no desire to represent the outgoing Administration as faultless—our columns will bear witness that we have exposed and reproved its faults as freely as we have commended its merits. But there may come time, even within the next four years, when we have sedulously maintained Peace, Thrift, material Progress, and Public Credit, may be regarded as something more than negative merits, and against that day (may it be ever so distant!) we have made up this brief and hasty record.

☞We quote the following interesting advertisement from a late number of a Virginia paper:

Caught for Negroes.

WANTED, for the Southern market, MEN, WOMEN, BOYS, GIRLS, and FAMILIES, for which I will pay the highest cash price. Persons having slaves to sell, will find it to their interest to inform me in person, or by letter, at Winchester, or B. M. and W. G. Campbell, No. 242 Pratt st., Baltimore, which will meet with prompt attention.

With what virtuous, glowing, swelling thoughts such a record as this must inspire those Northern men who are so far false to the teachings of the patriots and the whisperings of humanity as to consent to extend the system of domestic Slavery, give it new aids, and strengthen its fatal hold upon our country.

☞The three cent pieces coined after April 1st, will weigh 11 52-100 grains, and be nine-tenths fine—being of the same standard as the larger silver coin. Those now in circulation weigh 12 3-8 grains, and are but three-fourths fine.

☞Ex-Governor Porter is said to be a prominent applicant for Collector of the port of Philadelphia.

THE PRESIDENT'S HOUSE.

—Congress has been liberal in giving President Pierce an outfit. The appropriations were as follows:

For repairing the President's Mansion, including cleaning, painting, whitewashing, extending the east wing of offices for carriage house, &c., $7,300; and for heating, ventilating, painting the exterior, glazing the walls and ceilings of the rooms on the first floor, and the purchase of books for the President's library, $20,000.

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HONESTY TURNED UP.—It is said that a gentleman of Hanover, named Jacob Herbst, has received a letter from Louis Napoleon, Emperor of the French, inclosing a draft for $200, which he borrowed some years since from the Professor at London, accompanied with a present of a diamond ring, and an invitation to visit Paris. This will be cheering news to all who were the Emperor's creditors in the times that tried his souls.

FIRE AT HANOVER.—We learn that the Engine House of the Hanover Branch Railroad was destroyed by fire on the night of the 10th inst., and the Locomotive in it so much injured as to be unfit for use. It is stated that the fire original.

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Emigration to Australia had nearly ceased.

The grain crops were very forward, and promise a rich harvest.

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Clearing uses for the Sick.

Cedar Vale, Kansas, Jan. 18, 1848

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