See First Page.

Excitement upon the Border-A Citizen of Aroostook County Arrested by British Authority and Rescued by American Arms.-We learn, says the Phila. Mercuil New Brunswick, on the 11th inst., and as the United States Troops aided in affecting this rescue, the case must be an exciting one; but no particular account of the circumstances has been given.

Hancock Plantations, and resolutions immediately taken to avoid collision with the authorities of New Brunswick, and aprepresentatives for protection.

What the result will be, is uncertain; were all democrats, while a majority of More time and money has been spent in dis-

Export of Bread Stuffs .- It appears from the official returns, that the whole quantity of flour exported from the United States in the year ending in September, 1841. was 1,529,647 barrels, of which 833,255 barrels, or considerably more nearly the whole, went to England and her dependencies. It is supposed that the late reduction of duties in England, will make the quantity taken still greater, and if the advocates of the entire repeal of the sorn laws should succeed, it will become

The case of young Mercer .- The Camden Engle says that there is much testimo ny in Mercer's favor, more than the world is yet in possession of, and enough to constitute a full legal defence, and secure for him an acquittal. The bill of indictment found by the Grand Jury contains three counts the first of which charges Singleon Mercer with shooting and killing Heberton with a ball from a pistol in the township of Camden, New Jersey. The second count charges the murder to have been committed with a ball from a sixbarrelled pistol. In the third count, the killing is charged as having occurred on the river Delaware, within the concurrent iurisdiction of New Jersey and Pennsylvania-and Mercer was first arrested and will preside at the trial, assisted by Judge of. It frequently cheats men of easy hab-Norris. A large number of witnesses have its out of their bitters, by not giving the been named, but it is thought that many true 'grog time of day'

wildered, and remained all night in a snow drift, for a moment doubt its authenticity. Men are engaged in the combination who are well known to this community and are and I vill die happie.'

wildered, and remained all night in a snow drift, for a moment doubt its authenticity. Men dipnair or your breakfass vat you did name engaged in the combination who are well known to this community and are an are engaged in the combination who are well known to this community and are an are engaged in the combination who are well known to this community and are an are engaged in the combination who are well known to this community and are a source are an area.

Two long roots are solved rooms on Market street line offices, or Solvet rooms. Also a source area and a source area. tify, as the details are not likely to do The Cork Examiner states that an immense

Fire in Louisville .- On Friday night last about midnight, to appearance from reflection, the whole city of Louisville was on fire. It was the buildings on the corner of Main and 7th streets. Several small brick building and the rear of the Western Hotel were damaged, also the tobacco warehouse of W. N. Bullet & Co. ly consumed. One hundred and fifry hogsheads of tobacco were destroyed .-The snow fell thick, which prevented the further spread of the conflagration. The whole atmosphere was illuminated. It was said to be the work of an incendiary.

Waylaid .- A man named Mullen, was and cut so badly with an axe by a man na- ensuing year will be unusually large, as it is very destructive fire broke out about a quar her because she is good, venerates her be-

Hop. George Robinson, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Kentucky, has resigned his office.

utes. The homicide was instantly arrested and committed to jail.

Another .- One John H. Rawle, in Phil. ridden, tax-ridden, army-ridden and mam- oil out of lard, than to make a friccisee lips county, in the same State, recently moth-bank-ridden Britain. shot and killed a man by the name, of Werner P. Loomie.

Another Earthquake in the West Indies.—The Charleston Courier learns cis Cannaday, arrived at that city, that a verity that it was with difficulty the crew could keep their feet. A dense cloud of ter May next, \$1200, Secretary of the Land Of

Election of State Printer. own soil, as defined by the late treaty, and former received 52 votes and the latter per month. At Columbia 40 dolls, and all others to secure and bring the offender to justice." 53. Those who voted for Mr. Bratton 30 dolls, per month.

> pursued by the democratic members in this matter. Mr. Bratton, we believe was

It professes to be democratic and has hois sons, most of them merchants from the South and ed the name of Gen. Cass as its candi- West. date for the Presidency.

Philadelphia, wants veracity, greasing and on the Bel air road, was out on Thursday after purpose of robbing the Santa Fe and Chi. thing he could do for him, though it cest prosecuted in New Jersey. Judge Elmer 'that glib and oily art' that Cordelia speaks noon, during t'e severe snow storm, looking for huahua traders as they return this spring: years to perform it, to let him know, and

much honor to the parties who were en- crowd flocked to all parts of that city, for gaged, directly or indirectly, in the affair. the purpose of getting a chance to witness in Baltimore, to obtain a gold medal, to be pressurprise and chagrin. There are several a daring exploit performed by a person sented in honor of the six original Washingtoni- either actually engaged with this banditti named Hughes, in driving fifteen horses in hand. The horses were harnessed to a ve hicle resembling a mail coach, and he handled the ribbons, and turned the different corners, with as much seeming ease as if ken, he is the same gentleman who renounced lo he was only driving tendem. The horses co focoism in 1840, by a letter to a meeting of tion signed by many citizens of Jackson were remarkably beautiful and docile ani- straight-outs held in a groggery behind the co., has been forwarded to the Secretary Several small frame buildings were entire- mals, and obeyed with singular precision Court House, and unity of purpose the movements of

their able whip. skillful management of four horses at the door relief; and there were 480 inmates in the U- lainous a conspiracy, and we think justice Amphitheatre, has made him so popular,

Emigration. -It is said in the eastern creased from 3481 to 14,839. recently waylaid in 5th street, Cincinnati, papers that emigration from England the med Collins, that his life is despaired of encouraged by the Government still more ter past one o'clock this morning in the cause she is wise. Her domicile becomes concerted and suffering among the popu- The building was occupied by W. R. and show, but some of the perrenial too-the lation, to enjoy more quiet and security at A. H. Sumner as a china and crockery store Miltons, the Popes, and Addisons, and Murder.—A quarrel took place a week home. It is stated in a Liverpool paper, Wilkinsons & co's piano manufactory, and productions of the day, with gardy covers and virgin pages, unsoiled and untouched, Murder.—A quarrel took place a week home. It is stated in a Liverpool paper, Wilkinsons & co's piano manufactory, and Johnsons. Not the mere butter-fly wing between two young men, one named An- of working people from that part to the thishment, and Wm. H. Dean's boot and unless where the p'ctured Medora droops derson and the other Baily. Anderson United States. A considerable portion of shoe ware-house. fired a pistol, the shot taking effect in the them will proceed to New Orleans. They A wall fell down upon three persons peeps in the Widow Wadman's Eye: but breast of Baily, who expired in a few min- will not, probably, find so good encourage whose lives are disparred of. ment here as they anticiparte, yet they may do better than in King-ridden, noble-

> A new Indian Drama has been produced in adjourned on Satur

We learn from the Reporter that this bill when second shock of an earthquake was ex Chief Justice of the Supreme court (hereafter to perienced at the north part of Guodaloupe, be appointed) \$1800. Associates \$1600, and 3 on the 3d inst. At the time a captain of a per day while on circuit and travelling. County, the whole; for we cannot think that the ed_year were £5 5s; the second, £26; the unloading yesterday, and a good many fersion third, £64; the fourth, £96; the fifth, £100; and domestic goods and Pittsburgh manufactures. ted that it shook his vessel with much se\$1200; and as Superintendent of Common Schools The Secretary of Commonwealth, after May next, such a story, if he did not think it true.

The Reform Bill.

smoke ascended from the vicinity of Base fice and Surveyor General, each \$1000. State saw a light burst forth which appeared to which sufficiently shows his feeling on this open and a good deal doing on them. In fact, we satre, and serious fears were entertained Treasurer \$1200. Adjutant General \$100. At light up the whole face of the earth. The ry, from the Bangor Whig, that an Amerifor the safety of that place. It was quite torney General \$225. Deputy Secretary of the Captain, who was sitting in the cabin, also can citizen by the name of Daniel Savage, sickly at Point Petre, caused from the ofliving within the jurisdiction of the State | sickly at Point Petre, caused from the or- | ty Secretary of the Land Office, First Clerk in | State Treasurers office each \$700. Clerks in the | shock of an earthquake was also felt at strious offices \$600. Members of the legislature discover whence this strange light came, year 1815, exceeded £21,000, nearly a discover whence this strange light came, bundred thousand dollars. her laws, has been carried off on a civil suit by individuals known to be authorized at St. Thomas on the 5th inst., about half \$2 per day and milesge. Canal Commissioners, looked diligently out at the side of the hundred thousand dollars. past nine o'clock at night. No material \$3 per diem and no traveling expenses. Secreta pilot-house, in rather a south-west course, ry of the Board of Canal Commissioners, \$900 and but nearly overhead, when he saw the outbut one to be appointed. Clerks of the two Hou. lines of a Serpent in the sky, in a crooked Affghans were disputing the entrance of ses of the Legislature, each 83 per day during position, except the tail, which was straight On last Monday the Legislature attempt- session and a salary of \$200 per annum, and a the head toward the East. It turned to a dent occurred which for a moment divers ed to elect a State Printer, for three years, reasonable compensation for indexing journals.— livid bright red, deep and awful, and rein accordance with the provisions of the Assistant Clerks \$3 per day, and a salary of \$100 mained stationary in the stars. Mr. Franturned their fury into pity. Amongst the in accordance with the provisions of the law lately adopted, but after spending the day in hallotting and dubating, the matter day in ballotting and dehating, the matter during session, and 15 cents for travelling expen-middle, and the remainder in a gradual adopted recommending that measures be was posponed until to day 12 o'clock. We see, Assistants \$2 per day. Messengers \$1.50 manner formed into a distinct Roman observe that our neighbors of the Advos perday. Principal Engineer of the State 1000 dol.

cate and Gazette were candidates, and salary, and 15 cents mileage, the office to be abol pealing to the government through their each got one vote. Mr. Hultz voted for ished after one year if the Canal Commissioners spresentatives for protection.

The resolution also embraced a vote of G. Parkin; we don't think that either of at Philade'phia 1000 dols. At Columbia, Johnstremarkably interesting to him, as may well there was no chance of life, but who was remarkably interesting to him, as may well resolved to sell it as dearly as he could. the resolution also embraced a vote of them will be elected. Mr. Bratton of the town, Hollidsysburgh and Pittsburg, each 700, be supposed, from the accuracy of its for. resolved to sell it as dearly as he could.— U. S. Troops at Fort Kent, "for so State Capital Gazette, and Mr. Dimock of and \$400 for Clerk hire. No additional Weigh. mation. After about one minute and a half, He had killed several of the Queen's promptly furnishing assistance to the civil the Reporter, appear to be the two prom- masters to be appointed. All other Collectors he watching it and the boat alternately, it authorities to recapture our citizens on our inent candidates. On the 2d ballot the whose receipts axceed 50,000 dolls, per changed, turning into a distinct

> all the savings it could effect in ten years. We not scared or frightened in the least, and im-We do not rightly understand the course have a wise and product set of legislators, very.

The Spring Trade--Che ering. Business has fully commonced in Philadelphia, come immediately, but after a moment or settled on in caucus as the candidate of chants are there, and the thoroughfares present an heavens had changed to a plain distinct letthe party, of his competency to perform active and cheerful appearance. Bicknell's Re ter the work, we think there could be no porter says:-"We have conversed with several than half, went to Great Britain and her colonies. The whole quantity of wheat than that of any of the other Harrisburgh debt. This, the great mass of honest dealers are composition in the country is to get out of debt. This, the great mass of honest dealers are composition in the country is to get out of debt. This, the great mass of honest dealers are composition in the country is to get out of debt. This, the great mass of honest dealers are composition in the country is to get out of debt. This, the great mass of honest dealers are composition in the country is to get out of debt. This, the great mass of honest dealers are composition in the country is to get out of debt. This, the great mass of honest dealers are composition in the country is to get out of debt. This, the great mass of honest dealers are composition in the country is to get out of debt. This, the great mass of honest dealers are composition in the country is to get out of debt. This, the great mass of honest dealers are composition in the country is to get out of debt. This, the great mass of honest dealers are composition in the country is to get out of debt. This, the great mass of honest dealers are composition in the country is to get out of debt. This, the great mass of honest dealers are composition in the country is to get out of debt. This, the great mass of honest dealers are composition in the country is to get out of debt. This, the great mass of honest dealers are composition in the country is to get out of debt. This, the great mass of honest dealers are composition in the country is to get out of th offices. We are at a loss then, to know determined to do, no matter how painful the or- look up vonder, did you ever see the like? was treated with the utmost respect and why he was not elected, or why the dem- deal. There can be no true independence, they The Captain answered, 'I see it!' and tenderness by our men, who seither obocratic members would not support the argue, where a man is pressed down by money looked at it till it disappeared. caucus nomination. There were some obligations. His thoughts, his movements, are Mr F, states that when the O turned to democrats voted with the whigs that we not his own under such circumstances. The more a D it formed a kind of oblong shape, and which she made for his interment.—Bos were surprised to find in such company a spirit of economy is every where encouraged. be. When it disappeared, it turned into the and we hope the reasons that induced them This is the true policy, and sooner or luter will be same oblong shape as before, and, gradually to pursue the course they did, are suffi productive of salutary consequences. The cash the sky returned to its original appearance. system is also a more prominent feature of the Two thousand two hundred and fifty times than it has been for years. We know of

two dollars were realized at a fair lately all their purchases this Spring for cash. Sound strictly true. He is no Millerite, neither held in Cincinnati, for the benefit of the traders, however, and good men, all, for example who have kept good accounts, and whose charac-New Paper.—We have neglected to ters have been fully tested by experience, are vince them that what he has told is truth. notice, heretofore, the appearance of a new sale dealers is liberal and air. While they exthat it was something quite inexplicable, readily trusted. The disposition a nong our whole Captain Pratzman remarked at the time, paper, at Harrisburgh, entitled the "Har- ercise due vigi a re: with regard to suspected per- and was sorry he did not some to the deck risburgh Argus." It is edited by Mr. V. sons or men who have decrived the n haretofore, sooner so as to have had a full view of this Best, who is also, we believe, the editor they do not hes tote to sell freely at 3 6 and some grand, wonderful and unaccountable pheand proprietor of the Danville Intelligen- times 9 mont is, to dealers who are a little in ar- nomenon. cer. The Argus is of the largest size, heretofore in keeping up their credit. At one of and makes a very handsome appearance. our leading hotels last week, there were 250 per_

The town-clock of South Second street mange, living about afteen miles from Baltimore, the Western border of this county, for the ted the little Frenchman, if there was any his sheep, and night coming on, he became beand we have so much confidence in the it should be done. 'Oh, Monsieur,' replied 4th sis. Rent \$160.

Tribute to respect. -Efforts are now in progress ent at this time,) would strike many with say the least: ans, on the 5th of April next, the day of the con- or conniving at their purposes, who pass flicted with dreadful lowness of sperits and templated great Temperance Jubilee in that city among us as respectable citizens and hon-One of the South Ward delegation in the great

Distress in England -The distress at Newcastle, England, at the last accounts was so great ders. We are surprised that any citizens This is a feat that McCullum, whose that 5120 persons were receiving indoor or outnion Workhouse. In Leeds, the relief granted to requires a full exposure of their names and outdoor papers, was £3000 more than it was three rascality. years ago, and the number of applicants had in-

extensively than hitherto, in hopes per- large and extensive store-house situated at is the repository of solid wisdom—not haps of getting rid of a portion of the dis- the corner of Washington and School streets merely the gilded annuals spread out for

A Boston paper says that it is not more redeemed them from all destroying time.

out of a pair of old slippers. The Virginia Legislati

A Tough Tale.

of retrenchment. After January, 1845, the Gov. Sights seen by the Pilot of the Wm. Penn annexed account of the professional in- er. It is heart the crimg to the business commentative to see the activity and the huminois delinions. in the Sky, on Tuesday night, March 21." come of this distinguished surgeon: we do not know what to make of it upon "My receipts,' says he, 'for the first and about a dozen steam beats were loading and

but we fear that the difficulties will not Mr. Dimmock's supporters were whigs cassing the proposed reform, than would swallow that he was surprised greatly at this, but mediately tapped the bell for the Captain to witness the scene. The Captain did not

a' feeling, we are also told, is much better, while then came straight on one side as a D should

Mr. Frances states that he did not leave the wheel of the boat, but meered it to this is he crezy or frightened, and if gentlemen

dence in that State, says: 'We are assured upon the most respectable authority, that there is now a combiposition of their names, (which by the by, certificate was sent to a patent medicine in- \$60. est men; and who, but for this accidental

of War,requesting him to order the troops no w stationed of Fort Levenworth to march

The Educated Woman. The educated woman forms the nucleus Great Fire in Boston-Loss of Life. - A of society at home. Her husband loves

> elocution and divinity, whose merits have Gen. Soloman Van Rensselaer has been removed from the Albany post office, and Mr. Wasson appointed in his place. Dixon H. Lewis is not ill.

volumes of history, philosophy, poetry,

From the Life of Sir Astley Cooper, from Captain Smith, of the achooner Fran last before the House proposed the following items the Full Particulars of the Wonderful one of his relations, we take the following The Cincinnati Sun gives, what it calls which has been published in London by

> third, £64; the fourth, £96; the fifth, £100; shipping for the West, and a large quantity of New Orleans Sugar, Molasses, Bacon, Pork, Flour eighth, £610; the ninth, (the year he was Fruit, &c., &c., arriving and unloading. About 11 or 12 o'clock, P. M., it being appointed surgeon to the hospital,) £1,a star light night, Mr. Francis, the pilot. 100.' He himself appends a remark, alar in their daily arrivals and depreturer, and we

> > quently obtained may be inferred from the fact that his professional income for the must soon revive.

Heroism of an Affghan Girl-An Una gazetted trait of Ghuznee .- While the an aged chieftain, the richness of whose jewels. The hope of plunder immediate-Royals, and severely wounded Captain Robinson, when a grenadier of the company to which the latter belonged seeing his officer in danger, rushed to his asO'Saturday Evening next as 8 o'clock, 1 will self i Gold ratent Lever full Jeweled Watch. 2 Gold sistance, and with a thrust of his bayonet, L'Epine Watches. brought the gallant old chieftain to the ground. The grenadier was about to lespatch him, when a beautiful girl, about seventeen, threw herself into the melec, white Wash; sweeping, scrubbing, cloth and dusting and plunged a dagger in his breast. She Brushes, writing letter and wrapping paper, English and seventeen, threw herself into the melec, then cast herself on the body of the chief-tain, for the purpose of protecting it, and the Affiches forming a set of several tables aft, and other artists. Low the Affiches forming a set of several tables aft, and other artists. Low the Affiches forming a set of several tables. the Affghans, forming a sort of rampart sale on accommodating terms forcash, good negotians before them, maintained their ground un. paper, or harter, to suit consignees. til the heroic girl succeeded in getting it Shortly effer the place was taken, In the Court of Common Pleas of truded themselves on their grief, nor offered any interruption to the preparations

ton American. The Frenchman and the Kentuckian .-A little travelling Frenchman chanced to breakfast at a tavern in company with a tall, bony Jonathon, whose appetite was in proportion to the magnitude of his form, and who ate more in a meal than little Monsieur would in a week. The Frenchman was astonished at his gastronomic performances, and, after restraining his curiosity for some time, asked with a flour ishing bow-Sare, vil you be so polite as to tell me is dat your breakfas or your dinnair vat you make? The Yankee at ther examination of the Manxix. Among the satisfactor of the Manxix. Among the satisfactor of the Manxix. Among the satisfactor of the Manxix. first made no reply, but Monsieur, not sat- are-Grand Diatonic Scale; old and new modes? sfied, again asked—'Do, sare; ave de politences to tell me is dat your breaklas or male Minds; Music and Election inseparable; origin your clinneir vat you make! 'Go to the objects of Music, Poetry and Prose; Bronchitis; per Santa Fe Trade:—The Western Mis- devil, says Jonathon, feeling himself in- MANIAC; Whiskers; Victim Bride; Othello's Apel sourian of the 8th, published at Indepen- sulted. A challenge ensued and the the NUN; Mohawk and Capitae; the Old Bachri Kentucky rifle proved too much for the little Frenchman's vitality. While he Falry Roy; Rocked in the Cradle of the Deep; Off was writhing in his last agonies, Jonathan's ton; Boyhoud's Home; Miniature; Bockaway; 44 Singular Escape.—An old man, named Tre- nation forming on the Indian territory on compassion was awakened, and he entrea-

> A First Rate Certificate, - The following ventor. The orthography is peculiar, to

"sur-i Take the Libburty of addressing rewmatism which having freely aplide the abuv has boath disappeared. sur my way P. and John W. Blair, has been disappeared. One of the South Ward designs with impunity. Such are the facts designs with impunity. Such are the facts day & the brandy in twice every hour. its wife allzo takes the abuv Meddisin in her

Tea, & finds grate benefits. sir yewr most obedient TUMMUS SPOONEY.

P. S. A neybur of mine Tride the Abuy on his wife bean Bad skalded killing a pig but Unlukky forgot to put in the sawlt, owever it was all Very wel. for the brandy aloan Cured his wife & now he's got the sawlt to Cure his bakun.

A Compliment .- The Legislature of lowa have named a new county, in that Territory, Buchanan, after the distinguishen Pennsylvanian.

RIVER NEWS. 41 feet water in the channel and rising.

Arrivals and Departures since our last report. Tioga, Mason, Cincinnbii Express, Ptrkinson, do Lstile Mail, Gaskill. Brownsville

*Cleveland, Hemphill, do., * Michigan, Boyes, Beaver, DEPARTED. Fulton, Foreyth, St Louis Lehigh, Price, Cincinnati Tiogo, Mason, Wheeling Belmon, Poe, do North Queen, McLean, Wellsville Zanteville, Duvall, Marietta McIntire, Scoles, Zonesville * Michigan, Boyes, Beaver,

North Quees, McLean, Wellsville

*Cleveland, Hemphill, do, Boats marked thusis are provides with Evan's de

PITTSBURGH MARKE I. Reported for the Morning Post by Isaac Harrie.

trade generally, in few days, and as the stock of The extent of practice which he subsect goods in our city is fresh, good and ch an and the country very bare of goods, nothing but the scare city of money kerps buliness dull, and things

Flour-Our m:rket is well supplied and sales generally at about \$2 50; except for a few choice brands that brings 2 623 per bbl. and from store 2.75 a 2 871, one lot sold sold from a store at 2.50, Gr. in-Wheat 50; Rye 25; Corn 20 a 22; Oats 12 a 13 cts, per bush. Fiud-Dried Peaches & Lady Dried Apples 7½ a 44; one lot of 75 bushels sold at 43 cts Groceries Sales of about 30 hhds. good N. O. Sugar in lots of 4 and 5 at a time, at 4 5-8 a 41 cts. and of choice at 5 a 51 cts. in bbls, sales 54 1 61 cts. per lb.

Coffee-Sales for par funds and currency, 8 91 a 10 cre. and in small lots to the country 10 a 121 s. per lb. Provisions-Bucon, 31 to 31 for country and 4 costume excited general attention, his tur-ban and weapons being resplendent with ready sale. Sale of Cincinnati hams 5 cask at 5c. Pittsburgh hams 5 a 6 c; per lb. Cheese 45 a 5 cts. Lard 41 a 5 per lb

Iron-B'ooms, Nominal price \$46 a 50. The price for Common Bar is 3c., and rises Nulls 43 for 10d, and other sizes in proportion Pig Metal-Sales \$17,50 a 18.

Auction Zales.

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r, by her next friend J. B. Love, Joha Sarner.

And now to wit, March 28th, On motion of Mr Toner, the Court of J K Henderson, E-q, an Alderman city of Pittsburgh, commissioner i lefeadant by three publications in the Dail

witnesses to be read in evidence on the

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ndersigned, at the old stand, No. 120 Wood 🛦 Bruslies, of his own manufacture, toget rariety of Shoe Findings, Combs, Variety Goods, 💨 of which will be sold at reduced prices

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By order of the Boards mar 23 '43-1wd4n ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE. LL persons indebted to the estate of Oliver A tor, and all having claims against said estate and

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