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THE NEWS.

The steamer Baltic arrived at New York on the 21st inst., with Liverpool dates to the 10th inst.—The new Ministry has been formed: Premier, Lord Palmerston; War, Lord Palmerston, formerly Fox Maule; Foreign, Earl Clarendon; Home, Sydney Herbert; Colonial, Sir George Grey; Exchequer, W. Gladstone; Admiralty, Sir James Graham; Chancellor, Lord Cranworth; President of the Council, Earl Granville; Privy Seal, Duke of Argyll; Public Works, Sir W. Molesworth; President Control, Sir Charles Wood; Postmaster, Lord Canning; Without office, Marquis of Lansdown. The above form the cabinet; Aberdeen, Newcastle and Lord John Russell go out; Pamre comes in, and the balance are the same as the late ministry. The Vienna Peace Conference has not yet opened. Affairs in the Crimea are unchanged. There is reported a battle between the Russians and Turks on the Danube, in which the Turks were victorious.

Official despatches from Raglan, dated 23rd and 24th, both allude to the improvement in the weather, and speak cheerfully of future prospects. The latter says, we resume our work before the town with renewed activity. Eight Austrian merchant ships were fired into by the Russians at Galatz. Austria has demanded an explanation. Earl Lucan has been recalled from the command of the cavalry in the Crimea. The Sultan intends to rise a national voluntary loan. Abdel Kader has asked for the command of troops in the Crimea. The English missionaries in Poland have been ordered to leave the Russian territory. It is said that the Emperor of France will take command of the army operations on the Rhine. It is said that the operations for assault are completed. The Russian army want supplies. A sortie was made on the 23d, and great loss was sustained by the French. It is rumored that the Zouaves mutinied, and 400 has been sent to Constantinople. They demanded the retreat from the Crimea. The rumor is doubtless incorrect.—The Russian forces on the frontier of Austria have been ordered to retreat to the interior. Queen Victoria had issued a Proclamation forbidding the British at home or abroad from aiding the enemy or supplying him with munitions of war. The German Diet has decided to place the principal contingent upon a war footing. The Piedmontese Chamber of Deputies have sanctioned the treaty of alliance.

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Pencil Notes.

Dull—our town. Sharp—our scissors. Dull—our devil. Dull—the French Spoilation Bill. Cold—the weather, and maiden affection. Numerous—tax collectors and poor cows. Rich—some of the valentines we received. In demand—Buffalo robes and pretty girls. Expected—a break up in the Susquehanna soon. Pretty girls—those that attend spelling at Wolf Run School house. Freeze up—the Jr. Institute in this place. Come boys that won't do. Plenty—snow-qualls and sleighing parties—Young America goes it about "this time a year." Not so sweet—to kiss the face of nature as the lips of a pretty lady.

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ITEMARIAN.

"If five and a half yards make a perch, how many will make a cat fish?" "Madam, your shawl is dragging in the mud." "Well, your little huzzy, suppose it is; isn't it the fashion?" "Be wise, for in gaining wisdom you also gain an eminence from which no shaft of jealousy and malice can hurl you." "Monkeys have been dying of cholera in the Island of Trinidad; and their nearest relatives, our dandies, are all of a tremble in consequence." "There is a maiden lady in Connecticut who is so extremely nice in her notions of female modesty that she turned off her washerwoman because she put her clothes in the same tub with those of a young man." "If your sister, while engaged in a tender conversation with her sweetheart, requests you to bring her a glass of water from an adjoining room, you can start on your errand, but you needn't bring the water."

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COURT PROCEEDINGS.

The Quarter Session's business occupied nearly all the time during last week, only two causes were tried in the Common Pleas, viz: Jas. Gallaher vs Burgdorf & Brickly, Ejectment for 17 acres of land. Verdict for Deft. Wallace for Deft.; Hale and Weaver for Pff. G. W. Shoff vs Lytle & Houtz, Trespass Q. C. F. for cutting timber. Verdict for Pff. \$90. Wallace and Lion for Pff.; McEunally, Hale and Cattle for Defendants. In the Quarter Sessions, Commonwealth vs G. N. Colburn, Larceny. Deft. acquitted. Crans & Wallace for Com.; Barrett for Deft. Same vs Benj. Lounsbury and Jos. Powell, Malicious mischief. Defts. acquitted but sentenced to pay the costs. Crans, Lion and McEunally for Com.; Hale and Dundey for Defts. Same vs L. T. Hurt, Selling liquor to temperate persons. Deft. convicted and sentenced to pay a fine of \$20 and costs, and undergo an imprisonment in the county jail for 10 days. Crans and Wallace for Com.; Barrett for Deft. Same vs Jacob Hoover, Malicious mischief. During trial District Atty. directed to enter a nol. pros., and afterwards a Surety of Peace case between same parties heard and the Deft. ordered to enter into recognizance to keep the peace. Crans & Wallace for Com.; Gordon for D. Same vs Jas. Ripley, Surety of Peace. Dis. Same vs Robt. Woods, Larceny. Deft. convicted and sentenced to six months imprisonment in co. jail. Crans for Com.; Swoope for D. Same vs Sol. Bander, Tippling house. Deft. pleads guilty; sentenced \$20 fine and costs. Same vs Daniel Neff, Tippling house. Deft. pleads guilty; sentenced \$20 fine and costs. Same vs Steph. Graf, Tippling house. Deft. pleads guilty; sentenced \$20 fine and costs. Same vs Ab. Lutzner, Tippling house. Deft. pleads guilty; sentenced \$20 fine and costs. Same vs Ed. Confort, Tippling house. Deft. pleads guilty; sentenced \$20 fine and costs. Same vs David Frazier, Tippling house. Deft. pleads guilty; sentenced \$20 fine and costs. Same vs Eliza Watson, Tippling house. Deft. pleads guilty; sentenced \$20 fine and costs. Same vs T. C. Davis, Tippling house. Deft. pleads guilty; sentenced \$20 fine and costs. Same vs Alex. Stone, Tippling house. Deft. pleads guilty; sentenced \$20 fine and costs. Same vs John O'Dell, Tippling house. Deft. pleads guilty; sentenced \$20 fine and costs. Same vs Geo. W. Condo, Gambling house. Deft. pleads guilty; sentenced \$50 fine and costs. The Grand Jury found 15 true Bills—1 for murder, 1 gambling house, 7 tippling houses, 2 larceny, 1 malicious mischief, 3 selling liquor to temperate persons. They returned 5 bills ignoramus.

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THOMAS PAINEISM.

The Journal of Commerce warns the community against the increasing strength of the grossest infidelity in this country. It says: "We called attention some months ago to the fact, that large numbers of Germans who have come of late years to this country, are disciples of the anarchist school of Heine, according to whose creed there can be no true freedom until Christianity is abolished. It is until a persecution by infidels of Christians is instituted, with ends similar to those of Diocletian of Sapor. We showed that elections had been made to turn upon the single point, whether prayers should be offered to God in our Legislatures; whether the Lord's day should be kept, and religious oaths be maintained. One of the most influential German papers in this city, published simultaneously, articles warning the better class of Germans, of whom there are so many in our city, against encouraging these excesses. Our remarks were republished in various parts of the United States, and we trusted that a good result might be produced. Since then, however, another anniversary has returned of the birthday of Thomas Paine, and it has filled our hearts with shame to learn how the natal day of this enemy of God, of his Saviour and of his country, has been celebrated." The leading spirits in this Atheistic "reform," are said to be banded together all over the country in secret societies, which are in constant communication with each other and act in concert, and have in them or under their influence hundreds of thousands of foreigners. They call themselves the Freemasons, and make Tom Paine their patron saint. Their grand object appears to be to overthrow christian government. To this end they propose to abolish all laws for the observance of the Sabbath; oaths in Congress; oaths upon the bible; prayer in our legislatures; the Christian systems of punishment; the Presidency; all Semites; and all laws, involving expense. They assert that a great and noble change to the Constitution which they like, and demand a reduction of even the short term now necessary to acquire citizenship, &c. &c. Such are some of the sweeping, and christian and destructive reforms demanded by these unbelieving foreigners. With the demands and machinations of Popery on the one hand, and of German infidelity on the other, no wonder that millions of our sober native citizens feel the need of a great and noble christian party, to meet the exigencies of the times. But let not this party forget that in their prosperity, that the only stable foundation for the institutions of republicanism is Christianity—free, pure, simple, Bible christianity; embracing an honest and open recognition of the sovereignty of God and man's absolute dependence and accountability. Call this corner stone of fact, laid the foundation of our free government, and no other basis will it be safe for their children to build. —Boston Traveller.

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He whose hand and heart and mind, have been habitually engaged with these objects to secure them from waste, to cultivate them, to apply them to the uses for which they were designed, and to enjoy them, fulfills, in our opinion a dignified and happy destiny, and we cannot but rejoice that rural occupations are coming up among us to a much higher estimation than they have heretofore attracted.—We think it argues well, both for the virtues and comforts of the community in which we live, that so many respectable establishments for the dissemination of all the sciences and arts connected with these occupations, have been lately founded and maintained in our country. Gaining favor of the considerate and wise, among our farmers, merchants, professional and literary men, they are turning the great current of public opinion, with increasing force and volume into the most useful channels—we ascribe to their influence, and that of their patrons, the formation of our State Agricultural Society, instituted a few years ago, and we hope they have produced such effect upon the public mind of every county in the State, as will soon lead them to engage in similar associations.

SUNDAY LIQUOR TRAFFIC.—The Cincinnati Enquirer which cannot be made to advocate Liquor Prohibition says: "the advantages to be derived from the closing, on the Sabbath, of all houses where liquor is sold, are self-evident, and require no logic to convince every well-disposed individual. But a few months since and our watch houses were crowded every Sunday night with men and women, arrested for some act committed while intoxicated, and the whole of the following Monday was occupied in the Police Court in examining charges for drunkenness. Close all the coffee houses on the Sabbath, and common sense will tell you we shall be troubled with none of this. Remove the temptations and none will sin." If it is good to do this once a week, why not accomplish seven times the benefit, and remove the temptation every day?

TELEGRAPH TO THE PACIFIC.—Both Houses of Congress have passed a bill for the construction of an underground magnetic telegraph from the Mississippi river to the Pacific Ocean, on terms which lead one to hope that the project will be successfully carried out. The enterprise is a bold and difficult one, which will require a heavy expenditure of money and a large amount of energy and administrative talent. The wires must be carried across rivers, over wide, desert plains, and high mountains, and through the territories of hostile Indians, who will with difficulty be taught to understand the meaning of the mysterious business. The construction of the line will require the services of laborers and pioneers accustomed to the hardships of frontier life. It will require also an armed force to protect the workmen from savages as well as to watch the line and prevent its destruction. The magnetic telegraph is one of the white man's inventions which the Indian can neither understand nor put faith in. The last dodge of New York sharpers is to paint or dye the plumage of common pigeons, and sell them as "rare specimens of South American birds."