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CLEARFIELD, PA.. Welueslay, February 28, 1855.

CF Hon. C. B. CURTIS, M. C., will accept our thanks for a copy of Capt. Marcy's Exploration of the Red River. It is a valuable work.

HOUSEHOLD WORDS, a double number, for March is on our table. It is the last of the 10th Volume. Those who desire to commence with the new volume of this unrivaled periodcal can at once send on their orders to us, enclosing \$3, or \$3.50 for it and the Journal for one year.

TO OUR READERS.

The editor, was taken away on Sabbath morning last, by the Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate, to give testimony before the Bribery In vestigatory Committee, which will account for the lack of editorial mattes, and all other discrepencies in this number of the Journal.

UNITED STATES SENATOR.

The Convention which met on Tuesday, in parsumee of the adjournment, proceeded to ballot for a U. S. Senator. After three unsuccessful attempts, the whole matter was postponed until the first Tuesday of October next. CAMERON had 55 votes, a loss of four since the former meeting.

13 Neither are we disposed to use "courhides" to kick, &c .- "Democratic Paper." They are not even 'cowhides' when on youonly "sheep-skins," and wouldn't hurt very much; so blaze away.

Wonder if Swoope didn't leave this with a 'flea' in his ear .- Elk Co. Advocate.

Mr. Powell had better look out, or he'll get a bull bed-bug' in his ear, before he's aware of it.

17 No one but a knave or fool would make

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 Polmerston; War, Lord Palmure, 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 Argyle; Public Works, Sir W. Molesworth; President Control, Sir Charles Wood; Postmaster, Lord Canning; Withoot office, Marquis of Lansdown. The above form the cabinet; Aberdeen, Newcastle and Lord John Russel go out; Panmure comes in, and the balance are the same as the late ministry. The Vienna Peace Conference has not vet opened. Affairs in the Crimea are unchanged. There is reported a battle between

THE NEWS.

the Russians and Turks on the Danube, in which the Turks were victorious.

Official despatchs from Raglan, dated 28rd and 24th, both allude to the improvement in the weather, and speak cheeringly 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 28d, and great loss was sustained by the French. It is rumored that the Zoaves mutineed, and 400 has been sent to Constantinopel. 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 Proelamation 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.

FROM ENGLAND.

Both Houses of Parliament adjourned from Tuesday until Thursday. On re-assembling Lord Aberdeen briefly announced his resigna-

tion. The Duke of New Castle entered into

Bencil Motes.

Dull-our town. Sharp-our seissors.

Ditto-our devil.

Vetocd-the French Spoilation Bill. Cold-the weather, and maiden affection. Numerous-tax collectors and poor cows.

Rich-some of the valenties 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.

Froze up-the Jr. Institute in this place. Come boys that won't do

Plenty-snow-squalls and sleighing parties-Young America goes it about 'this time a year.' Not so smost-to kiss the face of nature as the lips of a pretty lady.

Absent-our editor this week. Another chance for the devil to write editorial.

Left town-the Book and Jewelry pedlars that vere here during Court. Unfeeling-the young man who was so loving

as to break the whalebones.

Horrible .- An English lady in Paris has cut her hroat because she could not learn grammar. The heat tear-of sympathy is a volun-te(a)er; we had ecular demonstration of the fact, on the 22d. Hard to digest-sausages made of red flangel oot-jacks, and the hind quarters of a night-mare. Popular-our Devil, on last Friday night. He ays young America turned out in all its glory. Sound-the singing-school, on Saturday night ast, not twenty miles from town. The Shanghais

were all there. Held a meeting-the ladies of Corpus Christi ind resolved not to associate with young men who patronize Mexican fandangos.

Open-the Missouri river, for navigation from St. Louis to Kansas, also our pocket book for the eception of eash.

Got up in a hurry-the Railroad bridge over the Juniata, near Lewistown, and the lady who lost her centre of gravity.

Modest .- A young lady in our town, it is said, objects to going sleighing now because the roads, in spots, are bare.

Making money-the man who cries "Oyez! oyez! in Court-is now praying for a shower of young lawyers who wish to be admitted at the next term News for the giels .- A letter from Kansas com dains that there is not a milliner in the whole territory. Some are wanted immediately.

Balloon ascension .- Godard made a baleon as cension from New Orleans, on Sunday, the 4th and reached the uncommon heigth of 7,500 feet. Women's rights .- The untiring advocates of woman's rights'-Mrs. Ernstine L. Rose and Miss Susan B. Anthny-are discussing, at Albany, the sub ject of the right of women to vote.

Smart-the young man over the way, who gotso red vs to fall over a three leged stool without ouching it. The floor flying up and striking him immediately between the eyes.

Look out for it .- We are informed that a most thrilling exposition of "Knew Nothingism" will appear in "a Democratic Paper." The editor is ast magnificiently bamboozled.

The Beals case .- The most strenuous efforts were made last week for the pardon of Dr. Beale. ter a full hearing of the case. Gov. Pollock ha sitively refused to grant it.

---- "If five and a half yards make a perch, how many will make a cat fish?

ITEMARIAN.

---- "Madam, your shawl is dragging in the mud." "Well, you 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 jeolousy 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 need'nt bring the water.

- A Coroner's jury in Michigan were called on lately to "sit" on a hat and jacket found on the bank of the lake, and after six hours' deliberation returned a virdict of "Found Empty."

- A successful inventor has offered the English war-office an electric rifle, which greatly surpasses any weapon in use. flinging a ball from 1000 to 2000 feet, at the rate of some sixty shots per minute.

- Truth and female beauty do not always go together. Pretty girls are famous for fib bing; while ugly ones run with the gospel .--The poets always harness truth and beauty together, but the world jerks them apart.

--- "Do you think you are fit to die ?" said a stepmother to her neglected child. "I don't know." said the little girl, taking hold of her dirty dress and inspecting it, "I guess so, if I an't too dirty."

---- A new poor house, in Cook county Illinois, was recently inaugurated by a grand ball. The idea is indicative of progress, and the example may be useful. Opening a poor house with a ball! "This is a great country."

----- A deserted husband in Baltimore advertises his wife as having left his bed and board and offers a reward of \$50 to any man that is white, and has never been convicted of California.

---- Mrs. Partington is said to have anxiously asked if Uncle Tom is a better man than able lenghth, rendering general satisfaction. Enoch, of Biblical memory. She grounds her On motion, The following officers were ele inquiry on the fact that she heard that Uncle Tom has been translated seven times, while

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 Burguder & Brickly. Fject ment for 17 acres of land. Verdict for Deft Wallace for Deft.; Hale and Weaver for Plff. G. W. Shoff vs Lytle & Houtz. Tresspass Q C. F. for cutting timber. Verdict for Piff. \$09

Wallace and Linn for Plff.; McEnnally, Hale and Cutile for Defendants. In the Quarter Seessions, Commonwealth v G. N. Colburn. Larcony. Deft. acquitted. Crans & Wallace for Com.; Barrett for Deft. Same vs Benj. Lounsberry and Jos. Powel. Malicious mischief. Defts. acquitted but sentenced to pay the costs. Crans, Linn and Mc-Ennally for Com .; Hale and Dundey for Defts. Same vs L. T. Hurd. Selling liquor to intem perate persons. Deft. convicted and sentenced o pay a fine of \$20 and costs, and undergo an mprisonment in the county jail for 10 days .-Crans and Wallace for Com.; Barrett for Deft. Same vs Jacob Hoover. Malleious 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 & Barrett for Com.; Gordon for D. Same vs Jos. Rupley. Surety of Peace. Dis. Same vs Roht. Woods. Larceny. Deft. con-

victed and sentenced to six months imprisonment in co. jail. Cransfor Com.; Swoope for D. Same vs Sol. Bander. Tippling house. Deft. pleads guilty; sentenced \$20 fine and costs. Same vs Daniel Neff. Tipplieg house. Deft pleads guilty; sentenced \$20 fine and costs. Same vs. Steph. Graff. Tippling house. Dett. pleads guilty; sentênce \$20 fine and costs. Same vs Ab. Patzner. Tippling house. Deft. pleads guilty; sentence \$20 fine and costs. Same vs Ed. Comefort. Tippling house. Deft pleads guilty; sentence \$20 fine and costs. Same vs David Frazier. Tippling house. Deft. pleads guilty; sentence \$20 fine and costs. Same vs Eliza Watson. Tippling house. Deft. pleads guilty; sentence \$20 fine and costs. Same vs T. C. Davis. Tippling house. Deft. pleads guilty; sentence \$20 time and costs. Same vs Alex. Stone. Tippling house. Deft

leads guilty; sentence \$20 fine and costs. Same vs John O'Dell, Tipplinghouse, Deft pleads guilty; sentence \$20 fine and costs. Same vs Gco. W. Condo. Gambling house Beft. pleads.guilty; setnence \$50 fine and costs. The Grand Jury found 15 true Bills :-- 1 fol murder, I gambling house, 7 tippiling houses. 2 larceny, 1 malicious mischief, 3 selling li-

quor to intemperate persons. They returned 5 bills ignorating, -----

AGRICULTURL MEETING.

The Clearfield County Agricultural Society met in the Court House, on Wednesday even-ing last, and came to order by Joseph Irwin. Esq., taking the Chair

On motion, Judge Burnside was called upon to address the meeting, which he did with stealing, who will marry her and take her to great ability, and was listened to with interest by all who heard him.

On motion, Judge Hoyt was called upon to address the meeting, which he did at consider-

THOMAS PAINEISM.

The Journal of Commerce warns the commnnity 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,' i. e.,

until a persecution by infidels of Christians is instituted, with ends similar to those of Diceletian of Sapor. We showed that elections and 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 varions parts of the United States, and we trusted that a good result might be produced. Since then, however, another anniversary has returned of the birth-day 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 areform," are said to be banded together all over he country in secret societies, which are in onstant communication with each other and act in concert, and have in them or under their influence hundreds of thousands of forigners. They call themselves the Freemanner, and make Tom Paine their patron saint, Their grand object appears to be to overthrow hristian 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 Caristian systems of punishment; the Presidency ; all Senates ; and all lawsuits, involving xpense. They assert the right of the people to change the Constitution when 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 cititens feel the need of a great and strong American party, to meet the exigencies of the imes. 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 dependance and accountability. Ca this corner stone our fathers laid the founds. tions of our free government, and on no other basis will it be safe for their children to build -Boston Traveler.

A Woman Murdered in a Canal Boat.

A young unmarried woman, by the name of sarah Elizabeth Frame, in the employ of Capt. Cartwright, canal boat .fibino, of this city. was brutally murdered yesterday afternoon, in cabin of the boat, by a man named Alfred Miller. It appeared, from the evidence of the coroners inquest, that the parties had a quarel ou the night previous, at which time Miller threatened to 'slap' the girl. Yesterday afternoon the quarrel was renewed, and after an interchange of angry words, Miller knockd the girl down, and kicked her severely three or four times in the side and back. A girl named Stradley, who was a witness of the unreley, assisted her to rise, and placed her upon a chair. She appeared to suffer very such, and in a short time, she turned toward Miller, who had remained in the cabin, an said in a feeble voice : "Alf, you have killed me-I'm dying !" Miller was evidently frightaned, and hastily retreated from the boat .--The woman, Stradley, was so confused that she was incopable of raising an alarm, and the murderer escaped. The physicians who were present at the inquest gave it as their opicion that the wounds and rupture of the spleen occasioned by violence done to the side, and region of the spine, caused death. Upon ped mericin examination, they found a large quantity of "clotted blood" internally and immediately in the region where the bruises were inflicted. The xerdict of the coroner's jury was rendered in accordance with the above facts .- Albany Register. CAMPHENE EXPLOSION .- Two children terrihy burned !- Ou Sunday evening, two children of Mr. Wm. Reynolds, a clerk of Adams' Express Company, were terribly burned by the explosion of a camphene lamp. They were both boys, their respective ages being thisteen and seven years .- The accident occurred at the residence of Mr. Reynolds, No. 474 Penn street, near Walnut st., about seven o'clock. Mr. Reynolds was absent at the time, but before leaving the house he had extinguished the light of the lamp. A few minutes after his departure, the oldest lad again lighted it. His mother, who was sitting in the room, directed him to set the lamp on the mantel-piece. He took it into his hand to do so, and when he had it about on a level with his head, it suddenly exploded, literally covering him and his brother, who was standing just at his side, with flames. He held the lamp in an inclined position, and the wick being out of one of the tubes, the flames communicated to the liquid. ment, in all probability, was correct. There The oldest boy was horribly burned on the neck, head, face and hands, and the youngest on the chin, neck and right hand, though not so severely as his brother. Mrs. Reynolds witness could be procured. We learn that he was so astounded that she scarcely knew what will be before the Court this morning, when to do. She informed us that it was a miracle she escaped uninjured, as the children were not two feet from her side. The report produced by the explosion was terrific, it being distinctly heard by persons living a square distant. We were shown the coat worn by the oldest lad at the time, and the garment was 50 much burned that it was with difficulty we could conceive what it really was. Both children were immediately attended by a physician, and when we visited them, last evening, they were in a fair way of recovery .- Pittsburg Union. 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 cnterprise is a bold and difficult one, which will equire a heavy expenditure of money and a arge 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 received another accession to the number of the meaning of the mysterious buisness. the ts inmates yesterday, in the persons of seven construction of the line will require the services of laborers and pioneers accustomed to the hardships of frontier life. It will require also mere lads, and have for weeks back followed an armed force to protect the workmen from which commences on the second Monday of thieving as a means of gaining a subsistence. savages as well as to watch the line and pre-The Mayor's police, tracing a number of petty vent its destruction. The magnetic telegraph larcenies to one of the prisoners, he was ar- is one of the white man's inventions which the

such an accusation .-... Democratic Paper.' There must be a good many 'knaves' and fools' then in this community, as a majority of the people of this county believe "a Democratic Paper" to be, at least, the especial defender write his own editorials, would deny.

AGRICULTURAL.

The season has almost arrived for the most animated pursuit of the labors of Agriculture. And nothing can be more gratifying to the taste of a man deeply imbued with the love of his kind, than to witness and help forward those exertions by which the wilderness is made to give place to cultivated fields, and the blossom of the earth to teem with the means of subsistance for increasing numbers of its rational inhabitants.

He who derives no satisfaction from beholdhanced by bestowing upon them a portion of days' notice. our personal labors.

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 esti- the negotiations. mation than they have herptofore attracted .-We think it argues well, both for the viriues and comforts of the community in which we live, that so many respectable establishments for the dessemination 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, 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 about to conclude a treaty of alliance, offenengage in similar associations.

of all houses where liquor is sold, are self ev- liance. It is at least, hoped so. ident, 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 intoxi- the searching of all vessels that might arrive cated, and the whole of the following Monday was occupied in the Police Court in examininp charges for drunkenness. Close all the coffee houses on the Sabbath, and common

an explanation in self-defence. The Earl of Derby informed the House that he had been invited by the Queen to form a Cabinet, but could not do so. The friends of Lord Aberdeen and his Ministry are dead against Lord of Catholics and foreigners. That it is so, no John Russell for breaking up the coalition .one but 'n jack-ass, without brains enough to The Queen is reported to have written him an autograph letter, censuring his conduct, but this is considered doubtful. Among the latest

> business in Parliament was the second reading of the bill to give effect to the Reciprocity treaty. The English Baltic fleet has been ordered to assemble in the Downs and prepare for sea by the 1st of March. Rumor gives the command to Admirals Seymour and Martin.

FROM FRANCE.

M. Magne has been appointed Minister of Finance, and M. Rougher Minister of Agriculture. And latest accounts from Vienna were that the Peace Conference had not been

opened. There are rumors current that the ing the manifold glories which sustain him. Emperor will himself take command of an the opening foliage of the forrest, the variega. operate on the Rhine, and that M. de Morny ted and gorgeous bloom of the fruit trees, the | will act as Lieutenant of the Empire in the fresh and luxuriant growth of the meadows. | Emperar's absence, further, that Gen. Canand the rapidly expanding shoots of the nu- robert is to be recalled, and will be succeeded merous plants which furnish us with bread, are by Gen. Pellsler. The Moniteur announces innocent and natural sources of delight, to that the Germanic Dist, on the Sth inst., reevery unperverted mind. And the pure en- solved that the principal contingents be put joyment which they inspire, is greatly en- upon a war footing to be ready on fourteen

FROM RUSSIA.

The St. Petersburg Journal give an official account of the recent crossing of the Danube. and describes it as a reconnoissance in force. Letters, however, say that it was really an advance of the whole Russian army, which was stopped by orders from the Russian ambassador at Vienna, to prevent embarrassment in

FROM PRUSSIA.

Prussia is preparing for action. An important despatch dated Berlin, Jan. 31st, says the Prussian government has decreed the mobilization of her own army, and the 4th and 6th corps ordered to occupy the Provinces of Saxony and Sileaia.

FROM POLAND.

The English Missionaries to the Jews in Poland are ordered to leave the Russian territory. Their printing materials and bookbindery, library and chapel have been taken posand that of their patrons, the formation of our session of by the Russian authorities, and are offered for sale.

FROM HOLLAND.

It is stated that Holland has concluded or is sive and defensive with the Western Powers, also, that the Danish Minister at Vienna, has

SUNDAY LIQUOR TRAFFIC .- The Cincinnati | made overtuers to Count Buol, which lead to Enquirer which cannot be made to advocate the conclusion that Denmark will shortly re-Liquor Prohibition says : "the advantages to linquish the neutrality hitherto maintained, be derived from the closing, on the Sabbath, and will, like Sardinia, join the Western Al-

FROM HAVANA.

A letter from Havana received by the War rior, reports that orders had been issued for at any of the Cuban ports-a precaution deemed highly necessary in the present excited state of the Island-as rumors were current of

numerous fillibustering crafts on their way

Coming round .- The editor of the late "Shepherd of the Valley," a Catholic paper, is said to be

now writing Know Nothing articles for a St. Louis Know Nothing paper. Considerably shacked-the inhabitants of Bangor, Me., by the earthquake, and the good citizens of Clearfield, by the notice put up at the Mansion

House, by the would-be worthy landlord. Half pay .- On an after the 17th inst., the mem ers of the New Jersey Legislature will be reduced o half pay. The constitutional limit of 40 days wherein a per diem of \$3 is allowed, has expired

Some survaring .- A witness being requested to give in his testimony, al court, respecting the loss of a shirt, gave it thus. "Mother said that Ruth said that Nel said that Poll told her that she seen a man that seen a boy run through the street with a streket finnnel shirt, all checker, and our girls won't las, for mother has licked them more'n : hundred times for it!

New head .- The 'Clarion Independent Register has been changed to the Clarion Indedendent Ban ner.' It looks neat and well. May its subscription list increase in proportion to its appearance.

The three following items were sant to us by an mate of the county jail, who has been sent there ten days, for selling liquor to intemperate persons : In jail-the man that told the other man where he could find some spirity.

Left-the kingly judge that made the noble charge. Getting mighty street-the Liquor Law.

The Fasting Season .- Wednesday last, says the Daily News, being Ash Wednesday, commenced the season of Lent, during which the Catholic community, especially in Catholic countries, observe a rigid fast. The sume season is also observed as a fast to some extent, by the Episcopalians,

In the Roman Catholie Church the faithful are interdicted, during Lent, from forming any matrimonial alliance whatever. According, from Sunday preceding Lent to Ash Wednseday, there arean exchange paper says-more connubial knots ti-ed than on an other three days in the year. On last Sunday, in the Roman Catholic churcher, the hanns, of a number of unhappy twos, anxious to be made happy ones, were announced from the altar. During the forthcoming six weeks, ending on Easter Sunday, the communicants of the Catholic Church are expected to abstain from the use of flesh meats, and other such rarities, and, besides, other wise mortify their sinful bodies. The Church excuses from the obligation of fasting (but not of ab stinence from flesh.) except in special cases of sick ness and the like, the following classes of persons 1st. The infirm. 2d. Those whose duties are of an exhausting or laborious character. 3d. Those who are only attaining their growth. 4th. Women in pregnancy, or nursing infants. ath. Those who are enfeebled by old age. The following lines from an old English Poet, will afford our readers a hint

of the old fashioned way of doing things : TO KEEP THUE LENT Is this a fast, to keep The larder leane And cleane From fat of yeals and sheep ?-Is it to quit the dish Of flesh. vet still To fill The platter high with fish ? Is it to fast an hour. Or ragg'd to go, Or show A down cast look and sour? No: 'tis a fast to dole Thy sheaf of wheat And meat Unto the hungry soul. Is it to last from strife, From old debate. And hate To circumcise thy life To show a heart grief-rent; To starve thy sin-Not bin, And that's to keep thy Lent.

In olden times Lent was the season for a number of ceremonies that are now almost forgotten, and live but in tradition We are informed that it was the custom at one time, in England, for the urchins, towards the end of Lent, to go from one house to another, beating pieces of sticks togethor, and erving-

Herrings, herrings, white a red, Ten a penny, Lent's doad ; Rise dame and give an egg. Or else a picce of bacon One for Peter, two for Paul Three for Jack, a Lent's all

Enoch was translated but once.

- One of the novellies in London, as an tribe of Niam-Niams, or tailed people from Central Africa. Dr. Sexton lectured on them before crowds of visitors, three times a day .--Ladies are not admitted.

- The editor of the Detroit times says he tration of early piety: "Pray God blass father and mother, and Anna, and by jinks I must scrabble quick to get into bed before Mary does."

---- The wine growers of Ohio, it is stated, are considering the propriety of petitioning Congress at its next session to pass a bill to encourage the cultivation of the grape and the manufacture of wine in this country, either by offering a bounty or by some other feasible mode.

- The Yarmouth Register cautions hotel and boarding house keepers against a plausible rogue, with snakey eyes, and one crooked leg, pretending to be a printer, and calling himself H. T. Thompson. He is about 35 years old, and shows his teeth a good deal like "Carker," in "Dombey and Son." It would be easy to identify him, we should think.

on Tuesday, at West Point, in the riding school during the exercises of the cavalry class. Two horses, ridden at the top of their speed, came of Vermont-had a leg broken in two places. At last accounts he was in a very precarious condition. Cadet Childs mounted on the other horse, was borne to the earth senseless by Strickland, but appear to believe from his con the shock, but afterwards recovered.

- - A nice young army officer, now in Constantinople, writes to his cousin in London, that the concluding line of Payne's popular balled. There is no place like home," is decidedly more poetical than true. "Constan- | the case will be finanly disposed of. tinople," he writes, "is the place. Here, for the paltry sum of £500 sterling a year, a man of moderate desires may live like a princecommodious habitation-the best of wine-the and no going to church."

---- Perhaps the oldest tree on record the cypress of Somma, in Lombardy. It is supposed to have been planted in the year of the birth of Christ, and on that account is looked on with reverence by the inhabitants; but an ancient chronicle in Milan is said to prove that it was a tree in the time of Julius Gæsar, B. C. 42. It is 123 feet high, and 20 feet in circumference at one foot from the ground. Napoleon, when laying down the plan for his great road over the Simplon, diverged from a straight line to avoid injuring this tree.

- We clip the following from an exchange:-I, David Lightner, Sr., do offer as follows, viz: Any person who can and will come forward at the court of Lawrence county February, 1855, and swear that they ever knew

ed for the ensuing year: President, Josuph Inwis, Est.

Vice Presidents, G. L. Reed, Clearfield borough; J. D. Thompson, Carwensville; Georg Thorn, Lawrence tp.; Daniel Bailey, Fike; R McNaul, Penn; Wm. Rishel, Brady; Jno. Bruexhibition, are a man, woman and child, of the baker, Union; Philip Heavner, Huston; Mr. Thorp, Hell ; Jas. McMurry, Burnside : A. S. Tozer, Chess; J. R. Hoyt, Furguson; Jas. Pal terson, Jordan; J. W. Wright, Beccaria; W. R Alexander, Woodward; Geo. Turner, Boggs; Jno. Gearhart, Decatur; M. Forcey, Bradford; Jno. B. Kyler, Morris; Jos. Yothers, Karthaus; F. Coudreit, Covington; T. Leonard, Girard heard a day or two since, the following illus- Matthew Tate, Goshen; John J. Bandy, Fox ;

and Isaac Thompson, Knox. Executive Committee, Richard Shaw, Jonahan Lioynton, Philip Antis, Wm. Tate, and

M. Nicholds, Jr. Treasurer, Hon. Richard Shaw. Cor. Secretary, Hon. G. R. Barrett. Recording Secretary, T. J. McCullough. On motion, The meeting adjourned until Wednesday evening of May Court. JOSEPH IRWIN, President.

T. J. M'CULLOUGH, Secretary.

FATAL APPRAX .- We learn that a man (says the Vicksburg Whig) named Thomas Strickland killed John Hewlett, on Friday night.

It appears (if the statement of Strickland efore the Mayor's Court, at the examination which took place on Saturday night, be correct.) that Hewlett, the deceased, and Strick land, had been pastners in killing deer and oth er game for market, and that a dispute aros between them, about their money matters, when Hewlett rushed on Strickland with a knife and threw him on the ground, when Strickland drew his knife and killed him. Strickland - A serious if not fatal accident occurred made no attempt to escape, and says that he staid by the corpse all night, and sent for the Coroner of the county on the next morning. The coroner summoned a jury and proceeded to the spot where the man was killed, and in collision, and the rider of one-Cadet Gay, found Strickland watching by the corpse. He stated to the jury that he had stabbed the deceased, but in self-defence. The jury returned a verdict that Hewlett came to his death from wounds inflicted by a knife in the hands of duct thrughout the whole affair, that his statewas a man present at this affray who has not been found, and the Mayor has felt it to be hi duty to commit Strickland to the jail, until that

ELOQUENT .- J. R. Lowell, at the close of a recent lecture on Milton, said :

"The noise of those old warfares is hushed; the song of Cavalier and the fierce psalm of most glorious tobacco-three beautiful wives, Puritan are silent now; the hands of this episcopal adversaries no longer hold pen or crozier; they and their works are dust; but he who lov ed truth more than life, who was faithful to the other world while he did his work in this; his seat is in the great cathedral whose far echoing aisles are the Ages, whispering with the bless-

ed feet of the saints, martyrs and confessors of every clime and every creed; whose bells sound only centurial hours; about whose spires, crowned with the constellation of the cross, no meaner birds than missioned angels hover; whose organ music is the various stops of endless changes breathed through by endless good; whose choristers are the elect spirits of all time, that sing serene and shining as morning stars, the ever renewed mystery of Creative Power."

A GANG OF THIEVES COMMITTED .- The jail unfortunate boys, who were arrested on Wednesday last, for larceny. The parties are all

sense will tell you we shall be troubled with from the United States. none of this. Remove the temptations and Unfortunate .- A gentleman having, at a dance, none will sin." If it is good to do this once accidently stepped on the toe of the one next to s week, why not accomplish seven times the him, asked pardon for his carelessness. "No mat-ter, Sir," was the good natured reply, "it was onbenefit, and remove the temptation every day? Iy an error of the pres."

Away, Lont, away, England existing at that day the expected largess they left the house crying-Here sits a bad wife; The devil take her life -Set her upon a swivel, And send her to the devil!

rebruary, 1855, and swear that they ever knew larcenies to one of the prisoners, he was ar-me to steal anything to the value of 6¹/₄ cents rested, and shortly afterwards gave the officers Indian can neither understand nor put faith And if the dame refused the specimens of Young (with the exception of a few apples to eat, the names of his associates. The police, afwhile passing through an orchard) I will give ter considerable difficulty, succeeded in find-OF The last dodge of New York sharpers is ing the whole party, and now they are in prishim or her 10,00, that is, with the exception on awaiting trial. The probability is they to paint or dye the plumage of common pigwill all go to the House of Refuge .- Pittsburg cons, and sell them as "rare specimens of of old Betts Lightner, my wife, South American birds." DAVID LIGHTNER, Sr. Dispatch,