

The Golden Age of the Poets.

The first period of man's existence was celebrated and sung, by the Grecian and Roman Poets, as the golden Age...

An Absconding Defaulter. JACOB SHIPMAN.

Much excitement was produced in the city on Friday, by the disappearance of Jacob Shipman, an individual who has been engaged for several years as a messenger between the Banks and Brokers of New York and Philadelphia.

The larger amount of the funds with him, belongs to New York Banks and brokers, as it is known that he brought on a considerable amount of foreign gold from that city, to be placed in the Philadelphia Mint for recoinage.

He has it is said been traced as far as Chambersburg. The amount that he took with him, is likely to turn out much less than was at first supposed.

His wife says she was left without money. He inquired of a person on Wednesday, as to the different routes of travelling west and south.

Monroe Edwards.

This adroit rogue, it appears, was not drowned, nor has he effected his escape from Sing Sing prison. The following letter on the subject is copied from the New York Courier:

Sixty Six, April 6, 1843. Sir,—I sent word to the Police of your city that Monroe Edwards had drowned himself or escaped.

It is stated in the Herald that on the morning after he was missed, Edwards was discovered by a keeper in the shoe shop, snugly stowed away in a closet, with a good supply of cakes, crackers, and branly, sufficient to last several days, or until he could conveniently escape.

The New Orleans Picayune relates a most diabolical attempt made by a mulatto girl, aged about 12 years, in the employ of Mr. Perez, on the person of an infant in her charge.

It seems, says the Picayune, that Mr. Perez had employed the slave to take care of his child, an infant not more than eight months of age.

There are said to be 502 persons in the Poor-house at Montreal.



THE AMERICAN.

Saturday, April 15, 1843.

REMOVAL.

The Office of the "SUNBURY AMERICAN" has been removed to the white frame building, in Centre Alley, adjoining the New Store of H. B. Masser.

We have on hand sixty reams of printing paper, similar in size and quality to the sheet upon which this is printed.

All articles not possessing any peculiar local interest, should be as brief and concise as possible.

On our first page, our readers will find a number of interesting articles.

The legislature will adjourn on Tuesday the 18th. We should like to see them pass the Non-impairment law, and the law in relation to Tide Water notes, before the adjournment.

The canals have been opened for some days past, and the navigation resumed. The gradual thawing of the late deep snow has prevented a sudden or unusual rise.

The New York charter election has terminated in favor of Morris, the democratic candidate for Mayor, by a majority of 6000 votes.

Commander McKenzie has been entirely acquitted by the Court Martial, of all the charges alleged against him. The President has approved of the decision of the Court Martial.

Sunbury Female Seminary.

We neglected last week to notice the public examination of the scholars of the Female Seminary of this place, under the charge of the Misses Brocke.

Money Matters.

The rates of discount on demand notes are improving, and we hope ere long we shall be able to announce to our readers, that the notes of all solvent banks are again at par.

Relief Notes have improved considerably within the last few weeks. The following are the rates, according to B. Knell's Reporter of Tuesday last:

Table with 2 columns: Item and Rate. Includes Pips (5 cents), Levi's (10), Quarters (23), and other relief notes with their respective rates.

The Committee appointed to investigate the fight between Messrs. McGowan and Bratton, in the legislature have reported the facts to the House.

American Eclectic and Museum of Foreign Literature.

We have received the April number of this valuable publication. The Eclectic and Museum is published monthly, each number containing 144 large pages, equal to an ordinary octavo volume of 400 pages.

Mr. Van Buren and the Presidency.

The few friends that Mr. Van Buren has still left, are straining every nerve to effect his nomination. We say the few friends, because we believe that Mr. Van Buren has a smaller number of supporters among the people than any candidate that has yet been brought before them.

Another Fight in the Legislature.

There has been another disgraceful fight in the chamber of the House of Representatives, which came very near having a fatal termination.

MISCELLANY.

Editorial, Condensed and Selected. A young lady in New York recently recovered \$10,000 damages, in a case of seduction.

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There are 103 regiments in the British service, consisting of 94,400 rank and file.

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The editor of the Boston Post says he has been eating butter all winter, strong enough to pull over Solomon's temple.

Mr. Dickenson, of the Bay Mill, killed at a single shot, seven Turkeys out of a gang of nine. He had baited a trench for them, and his gun was loaded with squirrel shot.

The profession of a mechanic is daily becoming more and more respectable, thanks to the good sense and judgment of the present age, and it can no longer be thrown out as a mark of reproach.

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It was so dark at noonday in New Orleans, on the 21st ult. that business could not be transacted without lights.

A young man named David Chandler, has been sentenced to the State prison in New Hampshire for the third time.

A boy, living with Mr. Woods, at Carlisle, has been arrested, and has confessed having set several barns on fire, at the instance of a black man.

A man in Illinois is preaching that the winter weather will last a thousand years.

Snow fell at Boston and its vicinity during the month of March, 44 times.

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The ladies in Boston are beginning to carry canes.

The cattle in Michigan are dying off in great numbers, of sheer starvation. The uncommon duration of the winter, has used up all the fodder and there is nothing left for them to eat.

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The ladies and gentlemen all smoke in a Mexican theatre during the performance.

Public baths are about to be erected in Philadelphia on an economical plan—bathing to be in one 12½—in the other 64 cents.

Mr. Harry Champion, of Westfield, killed seven cows at one shot. We mean cows.

Lord Bacon says, the chief discoverer in political science are made by young men between the ages of twenty and thirty.

A house in Boston sold, in one contract, cotton domestics for China, to the amount of three hundred and fifty thousand dollars.