

Communications

The Aurora Borealis

The beautiful sketch of the Aurora Borealis is nothing more than a faithful one of the most magnificent display ever witnessed.

Tradition and superstition are not unfrequently true indices of the character of a nation.

Thus we find the Norwegian and the Swede highly imaginative while the Hot-tentot is as lifeless and dull as the clay cast earth.

It is not my intention to allude to this here as a national characteristic, but as connected with one of the most striking phenomena that can ravish the mind.

The Greenlanders from their geographical position, have always enjoyed the greatest displays of that matchless miracle of nature, the Northern Lights, or Aurora Borealis.

The word wife does not, in our opinion, simply mean "a woman that has a husband," for some women have husbands and good ones too.

To the minds of the North American Indians, this phenomenon, like all other unusual natural appearances, was connected at once with the Great Spirit and the souls of the departed.

In the arching bow in the North, so radiant, so calm and so beautiful, they pictured the benign countenance of their great Deity.

Ask a Scot, a Frenchman, a Dutchman, a Kelt, and an Olnsted and they answer in as many different theories as the colors of the Aurora.

We have not time to enlarge, but will merely enumerate them.

Electricity—This is the most popular, and is advocated by many scientific men.

In fact, the Telegraphic communication in our country was almost suspended during the recent display, seems to prove that the air was highly charged with the Electric fluid.

Some have attributed it to the friction of the Poles, throwing off sparks into the regions of space.

Some think it a reflection from the ice which is accumulated at the North Pole.

Others think that it arises from the tails of comets which have been impaled on the point of the North Pole.

Learned philosophers of our own time think it connected with meteoric showers, and the zodiacal light, and originating in a celestial ferruginous dust which is coursing through space.

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Thursday Morning, March 25, 1852. FOR PRESIDENT. GEN. WINFIELD SCOTT, OF NEW JERSEY.

[Subject to the ratification of the People.]

Death of Thos. Moore.

Like the gale that sighs along, Beds of oriental flowers.

This celebrated poet died at his residence, Sloperton Cottage, on the 26th of February.

His Irish Melodies display a power of song which few if any have equalled.

The harp that once through Tara's hall, The soul of music shed,

That fall as soft as snow on the sea, And melt in the heart as sweetly.

Dear heart of my country! farewell to thy name.

The bill introduced by the Senator from Berks has passed the Senate by a vote of 19 to 12.

The contract of counties, free tickets will buy delegates, and the succession of public officers belonging to the Canal Board.

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