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#### Dreadful Murders.

One of the most shocking murders which ever occurred in New Jersey, was perpetrated on Monday night, the 1st inst. at Change Water, ten miles from Belvidere, in Warren county, when four persons were killed in cold blood. and a fifth beaten almost to death. The victims were, Mr. John B. PARKE, an elderly bachelor, who was reputed to be very wealthy. Mr. JOHN CASTNER, his brother-in-law, who lived with him and farmed his place; his wife, Mrs. Castner, and their child, a little girl about two years of age.

The whole family retired to rest, on Monday evening, at about the usual time, with the exception of Mr. Castner, who was last seen sitting in his room by the fire. On Tuesday morning, about sunrise, as a neighbour was passing along the road, to his work, he discovered something, which he at first took to be a negro, in a sink hole, about three hundred yards from the house. But upon alarming the neighbours and making an examination, it was found to be the dead body of Mr. Castner, most horribly mangled and disfigured. The murder- of general interest. ers had by some means enticed him frem the erfully strong man, and this precaution was no which he might have made if he had been attacked in the house.

been murdered in their sleep, and the little most in a state of nakedness. Immediately on child was lying in her mother's arms, with her the vessel striking, she pitched considerably had all been kitled by blows inflicted with the the boilers they collapsed and blew up. This blunt part of a hatchet, on the side of the head, near the temples-they had also several stabs in the side of the neck. A boy about nine dangerously wounded in the head, but unconscious of what had happened, and unable to give any account of the murderers. He had been struck while asleep, and stunned, and did not recover until after the neighbors had gathered in the house in the morning. All he rely had already retired. The only remaining trial at imitating the birds. persons in the house were two boys, who slept in a back room. But as there was nothing in mission to China, and will continue in England. their room to allure the butchers, their lives were spared.

The object of the mutderers was unquestionably to get money. It was well known that Parke had been to the Belvidere Bank, the day previous, and drawn several thousand dollars. Besides, he was also known to keep a large amount of money by him in the house. How much the murderers succeeded in securing to themselves, it is impossible to tell. A desk, in which money was always kept, was found broken open, and its contents gone. It has been variously stated that from three to five hundred dollars were taken; but is this only surmise .-Upon searching the house, about six thousand dollars were found, secreted in different places, which had been missed by the murderers.

A Coroner's Inquest was held on Tuesday, by Jacob Arndt, Esb. and a verdict rendered in accordance with the above facts. On Thursday, they were all buried in the grave yard of the Old Mansfield Church, and it is estimated that over two thousand people congregated together on the occasion.

Upwards of a week has now elapsed since the perpetration of the horrid deed, and although a number of persons have been taken up and examined, yet no clue has been gained which is likely to lead to the discovery of the our military friends, arrayed in all the pride, morderers. But we cannot believe that they will remain long undiscovered. A murder so atrocious, by which the aged, the middle-aged, and the infant, in their sleep, and -without pity or mercy, were launched into eternity, has no been committed for years. It has struck terror into the bosom of the community,-and the country for miles around is in a state of ferment. Every effort will be made to discover the offenders, and we again repeat our conviction. that it will not be long before the perpetrators are found out and brought to condign punish-

ment.

#### Virginia Election.

The election for Members of Congress and the State Legislature, in the Old Dominion, took place on the 24d of April, but the returns come in so slowly, that we have not yet been able to ascertain the exact result. Sufficient however is known to enable us to say, that the Country. Whigs have behaved nobly. At the late session of the Legislature, the loco focos districted the State in such a gerrymandering manner that they supposed the Whigs would not be able to elect more than one Congressman. In this, they have been most egregiously disappointed. The Whig spirit was aroused, and they turned out in their strength. Contrary to all expectation, or hope, we have carried six out of the fifteen Members. That stern patriot, John M. Botts, has been defeated. His district was largely loco, having been framed for the express purpose of defeating him. Yet notwithstanding this, he came within a dozen votes of being again chosen. The traitor Wise is re-elected, but by a very meagre majority R. M. T. Hunter, another deserter, is defeated, and a good Whig fills his place. For Members of the Legislature, the Whigs have also gained largely. Last year the majority against them was thirty-four,--this year it will be no more than six or eight. Another such effort, and Virginia will be redeemed.

#### Foreign News.

The new Steam Ship Hibernia, arrived for the first time at Boston, on Thursday last, after a rough passage of fifteen days, from Liverpool, with upwards of 100 passengers. The news is ten days later, but contains very little

The most important, is the loss of the steam house, and after killing him, entered by the ship Solway, which sailed from Southampton, door which he had left open. He was a pow- England, on the 1st of April, bound for the West Indies. She was wrecked on a reef, off doubt taken to prevent any alarm or resistance the Island of Sisarga. The accident occurred at midnight, on the 7th, after she had been a week at sea. It is supposed that many of the The door of the house was found fastened; passengers went down with the vessel, as there and upon breaking it open and entering, the was no time left to launch the boat which was dead body of Parke was discovered in a bed in kept on the paddle wheel. Those who were one room, and those of Mrs. Castner, and her saved in the long boat, escaped with no clothes child, in a bed in another room. They had all except those they stood in, and many were altiny hands round her mother's neck. They foremost, and as soon as the cold water reached is the third steamer which has been lost by the Royal Mail Steam Ship Company, in a few months The Medina, was wrecked off the years old, was found in another bed, also most Turks Head in January, and the Isis, more recently off Bermuda.

The British arms continue to be triumphant in India; but the conduct of their general is said to be any thing but creditable either to himself or his country.

A Flying Machine has been invented in Loncollects is that Mr. Castner was sitting by the don, which has set the imaginations of the peofire when he went to bed; the rest of the fami- ple all aloof. It was shortly to make its first

The Hon. Edward Everett, has declined the

The value of Real Estate in England has greatly depreciated within the past year, and many the of most extensive land holders, have reduced their rents, much to the satisfaction of

A butcher at Smyrna, has been sentenced to the galleys, for selling joints and quarters of large dogs for mutten.

At an Election held in this place, on the 8th inst. for Borough Officers, the following persons were duly elected.

Borough Election.

# Burgess.

SAMUEL STOKES. Common Council WILLIAM CLEMENTS, CHARLES MUSCH. DEPUE S. MILLER. THOMAS J. ALBRIGHT,

JOHN MELICK. High Constable. WILLIAM H. WHITE.

RICHARD S. STAPLES.

# Battalion.

Town Clerk.

On Wednesday next the Monroe county Volunteer Battalion will parade for drill and inspection, in this place, when we expect to see pomp, and circumstance of glorious war.

# Connecticut.

The Hon. Chauncey F. Cleaveland, was reelected Governor of Connecticut, by the Legislature, on Thursday last. The rest of the State Officers chosen, were also loco focos. The vote stood for Cleaveland (loco) 125, Baldwin (whig) 77. This is the the third the people of that state.

of the Michigan University.

### Girard College.

We notice that the City Councils of Philadelphia, have appropriated \$55,000 to be employed during the present year in further constructing this magnificent edifice. When completed it will be the pride and ornament of the

### Carbon County.

Gov. Porter has appointed William J. B. Andrews, of Schuylkill, Charles W. Higgins, of Northumberland, and John H. Brodhead, of Pike, as Commissioners for the purpose of selecting the most suitable place to locate the seat of Justice in Carbon county. Mauch Chunk, Weissport, and Lehighton, are all candidates for the honor. The first is the nearest to the centre of the new county, and may therefore be selected, but the last is by far the handsomest place, and the best locality for a

#### Delaware canal.

The repairs on this Canal have all been completed, and the boats are again running as briskly as ever. It is supposed that a larger business will be done upon it this season than during any previous one.

The Commissioners appointed by the Legislature, to make preparatory arrangements for the sale of the Delaware Division, met at Phil adelphia, week before last, and determined that the books for subscription of stock, should be opened at the Exchange in the city of Philadelphia, on the 21st of June. It is the general impression that the Canal will be sold.

#### Relief Notes.

On the 29th of April, the State Treasurer, in compliance with the late Act of Assembly, had another batch of Relief Notes, amounting impressions of wandering through the snow on to fifty thousand dollars, canceled and destroyed. By this means one hundred and fifty thousand dollars of these issues have already been withdrawn from circulation.

#### Squally.

the Post Office from a female friend with the word "single" written on one corner.

strike, in the true sense of the word.

The coffee tree dies out in fifteen years, and ed in the intermediate spaces between the in time. young nutmeg trees.

Cashmere shawl dresses are all the rage now in London. They are costly. We suspect the women might as well ask for mere cash, as for cashmere—one being about as valuable as

The factory girls of Pittsburg have been successful in their "strike," having knocked their employers into a disposition to pay them what they ask.

A disastrous fire occurred at Wilmington, N. C., on Sunday last. It commenced between 10 and 11 o'clock in the morning, during church service, and destroyed in its ravages property to the amount of \$300,000. About wo hundred buildings were reduced to ashes. There was an insurance on the property for

Mr. Fletcher Webster has already received his outfit of \$6000, to enable him to proceed to China as Secretary of Legation. He passed to China or not.

A New York paper says that they have over a thousand lawyers in that city, and is desirous of knowing if some of them are not wanted out West ?

# A Mother Killed by a Son.

It is stated in the Baltimore Republican, that a man named Steele, a resident of Orange county, N. C. lately had some difficulty with his brother, and had raised his gun with the intention of shooting him, when his MOTHER ran between them at the moment of firing, and received the contents of the gun; which caused her death immediately.

# A Poetical Idea.

In alluding to the early appearance of humming birds, Prentice of the Louisville Journal says :- " Our impression is that, in years past, we have never noticed, before June or July,

# Death of a brave Old Tar.

The Courier notices the death of an old sailor, named Henry Moreland, a Virginian by ry's vessel had been destroyed by the enemy. workmen .-- Ib.

### Revolution in South America.

It will be utterly impossible for any memory to keep an account of the revolutions and March 29, to the editor of the Boston Courier, counter-revolutions which occur in South Amer- states that Col. Tauro, the officer in command ica. Wars and rumors of wars follow each of the arsenal at the place, after nearly all his other faster than any chronicle can be made, men had deserted to the patriot army by which Every arrival brings something of war and ru- it was invested, seated himself in the the map. mors of war. The last we have is from Peru azine among the powder and applied the where there have been outbreaks and insurrec- match! The explosion was tremendous, The tions. Gen. Vidal's troops in December sup- arsenal was nearly in the centre of the town pressed a movement headed by a Col. Hercel- and nearly all the doors and windows within les, and shot him, and his principal aid. In 600 yards were thrown open, and some stones suppressing another, the insurgents caught Vi- weighing 200 pounds were thrown 500 feet dal's general (Nieto) and proclaimed for Vi- The arsenal and fifteen other buildings were vanco, the rebel, in which they were joined by burnt, but the wind luckily blowing towards Vidal's troops, who rebelled. The U. S. sch. the water, the flames were stopped. As Tou-Shark was at Callao.

#### Singular Case of Monomania.

A singular case of monomania is mentioned n the Cleveland Herald. A stranger, a week or two since since, was taken up in the street and confined in the jail, as he appeared to be completely insane, believed in final destruction on the 23d of April, and said he would seek refuge in the lake from the fire. By kind and judicious treatment his reason was restored, and his first inquiry was for the day of the month. When April 26th was named, he exclaimed ---"Tis past ... Miller's doctrine is false," and the relieved man has since appeared perfectly sane on all subjects. The account he then gave of himself presents a most singular case of aberration of mind. He was a farmer in Adams township, Franklin county, Pa., has a wife and three children, and owns a good farm. His name is John B. Ridgeley. Last September, he says, he went to Philadelphia with a drove of cattle, and attended Miller meetings three times. When he reached home his mind was considerably agitated on the subject of the Second Advent. His family and triends advi- Milly the Indian woman, mentioned in the letter. sed him not to trouble himself about it, but the subject continued to prey on his mind, and the last he recollects was attending a meeting in the latter part of October, except some slight the mountains. Beyond this lie has no recollection until the period of his restoration to reason. He complained of considerable soreness of the head, but otherwise appeared well. He presumes his family and friends now think him dead. They have been written to.

#### To see a young genileman take a letter from Another earthquake at Guadaloupe.

New Orleans by the way of Havana, we learn hear her story from herself. One of the Pittsburg factory girls, aged only that there has been another Earthquake at | She began by saying that an elder sister and 14, having been insulted by the insolent and Guadaloupe, which occurred on the 14th of herself were playing on the bank of the river Apoverbearing conduct of one of the taskmasters, March. The shock was very violent, but the actually undertook to give him a drubbing with catastrophe of the 8th of February had left it a stout stick, on the 20th ult. Tho fellow was nothing to ravege. At Antigua a considerable tion of the cry, and found a white man, entirely scared and took to his heels. That was a mountain has been rent asunder by an immense naked, tied to a tree, and two young Indian war fissure, a mile and a half in length, 75 feet in riors, with their titles, dancing around him, predepth, and 35 feet in breadth. It will be impossible to preserve the sugar crops in these its height is only eight feet; hence it is plant- ill-fated islands, as the mills cannot be repaired

# Dreadful Accident.

Explosion of the boiler of the Steamer Harry of

under date of April 23d, gives the particulars man like him should be put to death; and I spoke of the loss of the steamer Harry of the West, on her way from New Orleans to St. Louis on the 19th. Having shipped forty cords of wood at a point forty miles below Memphis, on the Mississippi river, she was about leaving the bank, when two flues of the second larboard him, and advised me to speak to the Indians, and boiler collapsed. One of the firemen, who I did so; out one of them was very much enraged, stood directly in front of the boiler, was blown saying he had lost two sisters in the war and overboard and lost. Another was found dead would put the prisoner to death: I told him," on the fore-castle deck. Several of the hands, said Milly, "that it would not bring his sisters including the two cooks, are missing besides back to kill the young man; and so, talking to including the two cooks, are missing, besides some of the deck passengers. One cabin passinger is also missing. Another had his jaw broken in two places. Another was badly bruised, and injured internally by steam. A deck passenger, with twelve hundred dollars in gold in a belt round his person, jumped overboard and was drowned alongside the boat, through Philadelphia last week. It is yet un- leaving his wife and child on board. I saw certain whether Mr. Everett, now in London, four other men floating down stream, holding intends to accept the appointment of Minister on to drift wood. A skiff from a flat boat put off after them; but whether they were saved or not I cannot say. Nor was it known, nor do marriage; but Milly said she did not save his life I think it ever will be known, how many, all for that, and declined his proposals. told, are lost. The mate had his leg broken in two places. Another man, also, had his leg broken. Five or six of the hands attached to the boat were badly scalded-some of them very severely.

The steamer Gray Eagle was wooding, at the time of the accident; about three and a half she said that if she could recover her properly miles above the Harry of the West. She immediately came down to our assistance, took the Harry of the West in tow, and drew her to

# Unfortunate Occurrence.

On Saturday night last, Mr. Cotman, a tavern-keeper, in Second street, Kensington, was awakened by some thieves in the lower part of his house, and finding the stairway door fast- erty, now held by the Seminoles, belonging to helened on him, he seized a loaded gun and raised a window in the direction they were escaping, the appearance of these winged blossoms of the but upon discharging the gun, it burst, and shockingly mangled his own hand! The thieves escaped .-- Sat. Cour.

# Buried Treasure.

Some workmen engaged in building a wall birth, and about 65 years old. Moreland during in the yard of Mr. Benj. Wilcox, corner of the last war fought side by side with the gal- Eleventh and Walnut streets, on Tuesday tained by the Mexicans at Vera Cruz-into which lant Perry---was in the Commodore's ship du-morning, found a canvass bag containing upyear since there was a choice of Governor by ring the memorable battle on Lake Erie, and wards of one hundred and fifty Spanish dollars, He was taken prisoner and with his cargo sent to one of the crew headed by Com. Perry, that all antecedent to the date 1752, buried about Laguna. He says he has abandoned the Vigilan boarded the " Lawrence," commanded by Com. four feet under ground. Mr. W. desired that to the Government and intends to demand recess Hon. Lewis Cass has been appointed Regent Elliot, during the midst of the fight, after Per- the treasure should be divided among the -35,000 dols, for damages and detention.

### Death before Surrender.

A letter from Aux Cayes, Hayti, dated ro had threatened to blow up the arsenal sere. ral days before he committed the act, most of the inhabitants had deserted the town.

#### A Savage Comparison.

Two savages of the Marquesas Islands have been carried to France---probably on speculation. One is a man, six feet high, and agile as a young deer; the other, a woman, young, graceful, and possessed of the scantiest ward. robe. Both are tattooed, all over their bodies, in the highest style of the art. The story runs that on the voyage one of their fellow passensengers asked them which they liked best, the French or the English? "The English," an. swered the man, smacking his lips; "they are the fattest." " And a deal more tender," chimed in the woman, with a grin that exhibited two rows of pointed teeth, as sharp as a crocodile's.

#### A Second Pocahontas.

At the last session of Congress the following interesting communication was received from the War Department and referred to the appropriate Committee who reported a bill, which was passed, granting a pension of eight dollars a month to Washington, April 13, 1842.

Sir-I have the honor to report that, in my recent visit to the Creek nation of Indians, I found a Creek woman named Milly, a daughter of the celebrated Prophet Francis, the Creek chief who was executed by order of General Jackson in the Seminole war of 1817-'18; and, believing that the circumstances of her history presented a case of very peculiar interest, I made it a point to obtain from herself a statement of her conduct in 1818, when as public history has already recorded, she saved the life of an American citizen who was a prisoner in the power of some of her tribe. Being in the vicinity of the Indian girl, near the mouth of the Verdigris river, and being acquainted with From letters received at New York from a portion of her history, I rode several miles to

> they understood to signify that a prisoner had been taken. They immediately went in the direcparatory to putting him to death, as was their right, according to custom, they having taken him a prisoner. She explained to me that in such cases the life of a prisoner is in the hands of the captors-that even the chiefs have no authority in

the case-Milly was then but fifteen or sixteen "The prisoner was a young man," said Milly, " and seemed very much frightened, and looked wildly around to see if any body would help him." A correspondent, writing from Louisville, "I thought it was a pity," she said, "that a young to my father, and told him it was a pity to kill him-that he had no head to go to war with," (meaning that the young man must have acted upon the advice of others, and not upon his own suggestion in going to war.) "My father told me," continued Milly, "that he could not save him for some time, I finally persuaded him; and he said if the young man would agree to have his

> among them, they would save his life." She then proposed the conditions to the white man, which were joyfully accepted; and the Indians changed the contemplated death scene into a fiolic. They shaved the young man's hoad, excepting the scalp-lock, which was ornamented with feathers; and, after painting him, and providing him an Indian dress he was set at liberty, and

> head shaved, and dress like an Indian, and live

adopted as one of the tribe. Some time afterward the young man proposed

I asked Milly how she now lived. She told me that she was very poor, and had to work very hard: that her father was put to death in the war, and her mother and sister were dead. Her hus band was also dead. Of eight children she had but three living, two of whom were young girls, and one a boy, too young yet to help her. But from the Seminoles she could live very well.

She is now about forty years of age; and after having seen her, and being entirely satisfied of the truth of her story, I am induced to recommend that her case be laid before Congress. Milly has now no husband or brother, or any near connection, to provide for her, and is in need-with a fine promising son indeed, but too young to be of service to the mother; and, owing to pledges made to the Seminoles, it is probable she will not be able to recover possession of some negro pro-I have the honor to be, very respectfully.

Your obedient servant. E. A. HITCHCOCA, Lieutenant Colonel 3d Infantry, &c. Hon. J. C. Spencer, Secretary of War.

# Trouble in Mexico.

Capt. James Barber, of the American schooner Vigilant, writes from Vera Cruz to his brother at Norfolk, Va. stating that his vessel had been deconsequence of his vessel having sprung a leak-