THE SPY & COLUMBIAN. SATURDA: MORNING, SEPT. 18, 1847.

V. B. PALMER, North West corner of Third and

Chestnut streets, Philadelphia, Tribune Buildings, (opposite City Hall,) N. York. May mildness in the atmosphere. The sky was of gusting.

No. 12 State street, Boston. JACOB M. WESTHAEFFER, Lancaster city. WILLIAM A. PIFRCE, Travelling Agent.

We understand that the line of telegraph between York and Baltimore is already under contract, and will be completed at an early day.

the usual variety of the book. 11200 M.STOOM

Depication.-The new Prespyterian Church in Wrightsville, will be dedicated to the service of God, on Sunday, the 3d of October next. The invited to participate in the services on that day, with a pure white, that remains long un-A number of the clergy from different denominations of the dry atmosphere. tions will be present to assist in the exercises.

THE LATE BATTLE .- All accounts agree in the of Gen. Scott. It is stated that the armistice did ! he did. The number of killed and wounded is said to be about 3,000 Mexicans and 1100 Ameri-

Tao Newark Daily Advertisar of 13th mst., has the following news in advance of rocks, telegra; he, and pony expresses.

News by Clairregance .- A friend of ours bereg put in the charvoyant state list night, accorbing to that the armistice was violated on the part of the Mexicans, and that then. Scott was constrained to take the city by assault, much blood being shed,—We stake our within claivoyance upon the truth of the Presidenty to the south of which, again, is this vision. If it turns out to be a mere vision of of the President) to the south of which, again, is the night, then let clarryoyance be written down a the museum, and a stone edifice recently built in -----

Taylor Mass Merring .- We see by the papers that a mass meeting of the friends of Gen. Taylor is to be held at Harrisburg, on next Priday, the 24th inst, and we have been requested to state that the fare on the railroad and can it will be reduced one half the usual price, that all disposed to attend fine turn-out from this place, we understand.

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PRIER M. Distiona.-This gentleman has furnished us with a set of arithmetical rules, winch we have examined to some extent. The examples given in Addition can be readily performed with great rapidity by the rule, but unfortunitely the solution depends up in certain contingencies which abstract from its value. In the first example, if the last figure of the first row had been 3 instead of 4. the first figure in the answer would have been a instead of 3, so that the mode of getting the first figure is not reliable, although it may be deduced subsequently. Nor will the rule answer for small numbers, or such, any pair of which form a sum amount should be 1441, but the new rule makes it 1381, as nearly as it can be followed, for no direc-

to bistow. I've, ' or ever, accorder.

The mode or calculating shaple interest is to genious, short, as a correct. being founded upon a a "decliration" for a one real; a seed ang letter for dose at the top of their voices. It is a Bable. bered if the theory of the process had been given. he understands anthinetic pretty well, and even vary it when contain rates of interests are to be calculated. We observe a source of error in the neglect to mention what is to be done when there are no days accounted for, but the acute learner will perceive that this decimal place (as it is in fact, must be filled with 0, to bring out the result as in the example.

M. he dat their Hall, on Wednes resolutions were un mimously adopted :-

of this order, has returned from Mexico, where he gambling-house; as formerly in the Pillus Royal, has scaled with his blood his devotion to his country, with which the scene here presented does not, of and is now a resident of Columbia; Therefore,

appreciate the parinotic services of Mr. Thomas of which is the Loops, (the Exchange of the mer-Welsh; and while they join with the whole people 'chants of liexies,') a noble room. in welcoming him to the home of his boyhood, they | The cathedral occupies a space of 500 feet by would express the hope that he may be speedily 420 front. The main alter is not erected against vocation.

by the C. and R. S., be presented to Mr. Welsh, and four and five feet high, and of proportionate thickthat they be published in the Columbia Spy, and in the newspapers of Lancaster City.

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Columbia, Sept. 15th, 1847.

There are the ruins of one in- Jamestown, (Va.) and sixty years ago, and in it is some of the timber of the church built by the first settlers in 1635 or 6.

It is perfectly sound, and almost as hard as iron.

A DARK CLAUSE .- The Constitutional Convenof Illinois have adopted, by a large majority, the following amendment to the Constitution of that State:-"The Legislature shall pass laws with adequate penalties, preventing the intermarriage of whites and blacks, and no colored person shall over. under any pretext, hold any office of profit or honor 10 this State."

THE CITY OF MEXICO.

interesting at the present time:

South East corner of Baltimore and Calvert streets, that deep ultra-marine blue peculiar to elevated flowers and trops in the court-yards, of which I twelve extra pages of letter press, with the com- and beautiful scene, worthy of the pencil of that mencement of a new novel by Miss Leslie, entitled Marter painter of cities, Cannaletti, who would "Amelia, or a Young Lady's Vicissitudes." This have delighted in the remarkable transparency and novel will be given extra, and not in erfere with purity of the atmosphere, through which the dis- lepero. tant hills, some twenty miles off, seemed but a bar-

rier at the end of the street.

The plan of the city of Mexico is precisely that Straight streets cross each other at right angles, and at regular intervals. The houses are painted citizens of Columbia and surrounding country are with gay colors—light blue, fawn and green, interstained in the dry atmosphere.

The view of all these from the elevated tower of the cathedral (to which I soon repaired after my arrival in the capital) presents a mass of domes, statement that the city of Mexico is at the mercy steeples, and flat-rooted dwellings, frequently covered, like hanging-garden; with flowers and foliage. not meet the general approval of the army; but Beyond the gates (which you would scarcely think Gen. Scott no doubt had good reasons for acting as bounded a population of 200,000) the vast plain stretches cut on every side to the mountains, traversed in some places by long lines of aqueducts sice ping to the city from the hills, and in others wit's lakes, cu'tivation, and beautiful groves, until the distant view is ele ed by the volcanoes, whose snows rests against the blue sky, uncovered at this season by a single cloud.

tasteful style for a market. The corner-stone of this was laid after I arrived in Mexico, and before most of the necessaries of the table, had been sold I believe, since the revolution) greatly mars the effect of the Plaza. It is a useful establishment, however, as it affords a large revenue to the munici- pics. I do not know the origin of the cu tom of trade to his beloved " father land." requisite for the dress of Mexicans, male or female, men, whose stands are in the neighborhood, and

growds of women with ready-made shoes. doves, for the ridiculous price of 25 cents!

West of the Parish and all around the southern course, vie in in taste or splendor.

Resolved, That S isquehanna Council, No. 31, of Opposite to the southern end of the Pariya is the

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions, signed probably two hundred feet, there is a rail between Plateros, a street filled with the shops of gold- year." ness, composed of gold, silver and small alloy of cooks, French miliners, French carvers and gildbrass. This is surmounted with silver statues for ers, and French print-sellers; and we pass on our candles. In front of the ultar is the choir, itself a way the rich convent of the Professa, or ex-Jesuits, occupied in the country. It was built one hundred Remedies, who enjoys the exclusive right of three, up their waters where the paths cross each other, and that one said not to be the richest!

mud, while on their earthen floors crawl, cook, live half an hour at the coach-window of some renown The following graphic description of the city of and multiply, the wretched looking population of ed belle.

Blacken a man in the sun; let his hair grow long regions. As I ranged my eye down the street from and tangled, or become filled with vermin; let him mental miss, to sign for ner lover, (and perhaps of Truckey's Lake Stanton came up the day after my balcony, the town was alive with a teeming plod about the streets in all kinds of dirt for years, see him); the dyspeptic, to earn an appetite for Truckey's Lake Stanton came up the day after population; the windows of the houses stood open; and never know the use of brush or towel or water his breakfast; the monk, the lounger, and even we arrived here; we again took our teams and fair woman strolled homeward from mass; old even, except in storms; let him put on a pair of leath- the laborer, stop for a moment beneath the refresh- wagons and made another unsuccessful attempt to monks shuffled along in their cowled robes; the er breeches at twenty, and wear them until forty ing shades, to take breath for the coming day. It batcher arged along his ass with its peripatetic stall without change or ablution; and, over all, place is almost Druideal in the solemn stillness of its the shanty, it continued to snow all the time. We hung around with various meats; freshly-leaved a torn and blackened hat, and tattered blanket begrimed with abominations; let him have wild eyes caught glimpses through the open portals; and in and shining teeth, and seatures pinched by famine been assured—scared from the plains, they are without bread or salt. It snowed during the space October number of this sterling magazine. The the balco hes lounged the early risers, enjoying a into sharpness; breasts bared and browned, and (if here in a sanctuary, and no p of ane hand dares of eight days, with little intermission, after our embelishments are fine as usual. It contairs segar after their cup of chocolate. It was a lively females) with two or three miniatures of the same touch them. They have consequently planted, as arrival, though now clear and pleasant, freezing at imagination, and you have a receipt for a Mexican

pulque shops, the Indians and these miserable outof a checker-board, with a great variety of squares, quarrelling, drinking, stealing, and lying drunk sive pertness through the dominions of all the rest. about the pavements, with their children crying with hunger around them. At night they slink off derers and robbers?

capital from the lakes, I must say that there is ap- for a lady ever to walk, except to mass-or, someparently more worth and character. You see them times, when she goes shopping. The coach, therestrongly of Venice.

ming the gustar, and crowned with wreaths of pop. est German saddler who made it, and retired from

forgotten forever.

carving. The altar (placed upon a marble plat. of St. Francis. The Alameda is a beautiful grove petticoats-one embroidered with pearls, another and the ground beneath the full-grown tree is value of which, I am credibly informed, is not less centre fountain is surmounted by a gilded figure of than three millions of dollars! This, you will re- Liberty, and gilded lions spout forth the water at collect, is only one part of one church in Mexico, its feet. This, and the other smaller jets, in plea-

wern with the weather to the shape of holes in the hers pass up and down in review, or prattle away

Mexico is from Brantz Meyer's book on "Mexico leperos. This word, I believe, is not pure Spanish. But there can be nothing more delightful than a but is derived originally, it is said, from the Castil- walk here during the early morning. There is a ian lepra, or leper; and although they do not suffer freshness then in the air, a quiet and peacefulness It was the middle of November, but there was a from that loathsome malady, they are quite as distant are found at no other time of the day. The student comes with his book; the priest from his went into the Pass, the snow so deep we were unearly mass; the nurse with her baby; the senti- able to find the road, and when within three miles mental miss, to sigh for her lover, (and perhaps to from the summit, turned back to this shanty, on groves, placed in the midst of a population of two now have killed most part of our cattle, having to hundred thousand. Even the birds seem to have remain here till next spring, and live on lean beef, species tottering after her, and another certainly if by consent of each other, distinct colonies in nights; the snow nearly gone from the valleys. strapped to her back; combine all these in your different parts of the wood; the owl, sitting on her There on the canals, around the markets and birds makin a third spot a perfect choir; and in- Indians. numerable sparrows and wrens, like so many Paul casts hang all day long; feeding on the fragments, Prys, chattering and pattering about with an intru-

Directly West of the Alameda, and on the same street is the Pasco Nuevo, another delightful drive to these suburts, and coil themselves up on the of a mile in length, bordered with paths and trees, damp floors of their lairs, to sleep off the effects of and divided by fountains adorned with statuary and liquor, and to awake to another day of misery and sculpture. Passing out of the western gate of the to morrow, if fair; froze hard last night. crime. Is it wonderful, in a city with an immense Alameda, the fashionables every evening take a proportion of its inhabitants of such a class,-hope- turn or two along this drive. On festivals it is less in the present and future,-that there are mur- crowded. All the equipages of the city must be there, and it is the mode for every person of consideration, or who desires consideration, to possess In the Indian population which pours into the an equipage. It is not thought "exactly proper" lolling about in their boats on the canals, and pass- fore, on all gala days, is sure to appear on the the city and Chalco and Tezcoco. It is a beautiful style as for a dinner party or a ball. When I first sight to behold these tmy vessels shim like float- arrived in Mexico, it was rare to see a bonnet on ing gardens to the garys in the morning, laden to such occasions; but that awkward appendage of the water's edge with the fruits, flowers and veges, fashionable costume was becoming gradually in tables, that hide the skiff that bears them. The vogue before I left. For an hour or more it is the old houses in this neighborhood, rising out of the cu-tom to pass up and down the sides of the Pasco, canals, the sluggish waters, and the dark multitude | nodding and similing at the cavaliers, who show off of the better classes in fanciful dresses, remind one their horsemanship along the centre of the road. Here the utmost luxury and style are exhibited in Skuting the canal, and leading to the plain the equipment of carriage and animals. Gold em-I left, the building was nearly completed. Until which adjoins the Chenampas, or former floating breidery, silver plating, and every ornament that that time, the trutts, flowers, and vegetables, and gardens, is the Pasco de la Vega, a public drive can add splender to harness and livery are brought frequented by the beau monde, both in coach and forth. To such an extent is the taste for these exon that spot in shambles and booths built of ham, on horschack, during the season of Lent. Searcele hibitions carried, that one of the millionaries of an afternoon passes, at that period of the year, Mexico appears occasionally at the Pasco on a that the contact of the that the observer will not find the canal covered saddle which (without counting the value of the may do so at a small expense. There will be a square, the Parian, an unsightly building (erected, with gay hoat-loads of Indiana, passing homeward rest, of his caparison) cost the sum of five thou from market, dancing, singing and laughing, strum. sand dollars. It was the chef d'aurre of an hon-

pality, and is the great bazaar where every article wearing the forgetful flower, but it is both a heal. On approaching this charming drive, the whole thier and more poetic oblivion than that resorted plain of the valley of Mexico is at once revealed to may be purchased at reasonable prices. On the to by many folks in other lands, after a day of toil, you, without passing a dirty suburb. On your payement which runs round, sit numbers of coach. Turning once more westward, we again reach the right, is the cypress covered and castle crowned great square. The departure of the President hill of Chapultenec, formerly the site, it is alleged, from the palace has attracted a crowd. The ad- of one of Montezuma's palaces; before you and Not the least curious, however, raiong the mul- joining market, ever filled with people, pours forth behind stretch two immense aqueducts—the one titude with which the side-walks are generally its multitudes in the square. First, there is the coming from the hills, the other from a greater disthronged are about a dozen "crangelist," or let- squador, or water earrier, with his two earthen tance, near Tacubaya, and screening that village ter-writers, whose post is always on the curbstone inr-one suspended by a leather belt thrown as it leans against the first slopes of the werlern of the castern front of the Parian. A hoge jug of found his forchead and resting on his back, and mountains. On your left are the volcanoes, on mk is placed beside them, a board roots across their the other suspended from the back of his head in whose summits the last rosy rays of sunset are less than 9. If we add 123, 456, 7-9, and 123, the knees, a pile of dimerent colored paper (most of front of line, preserving the equilibrium. Next resting. The gay throng disperse, as the moon knees, a pile of dimerent colored paper (most of front of line, preserving the equilibrium. which is either cut V dentice fashion, or flourished there is the Indian with a huge coop of chickens rises from behind the mountains, pouring a flood over and adorned with pen and ink ornaments) is and turkeys, or a crate of cartherware, or a pan of clear light, bright as the day in other lands, over pairs is less than 9.

The rule fir reality heating is not here, and it is quites more aftertion than most people would give the sea, and nearly that city, you remempers more aftertion than most people would give the sea, and nearly that the remembers of the rule fir reality heating the same of the rule firms of the same of the rule firms of the rule f coming pier cology. It is an important trade, and ther drives along a poor stanted ass, liden with number of feet closer to the stars than we are; the I more money is made in Mexico by this proxy making Tadishes and onions; and all the members of this atmosphere, consequently, is more ratified, and the have to in nerhips anywhere elec. Yen can have mother crowd are crying their wares and merchan-light comes, as it were, pure and pellucid from heaven; you seem able to touch the stars, so brilliantly near do they stand out relieved against the bered it the throng of the process had been given. This, however, the learner hunself may discover it jealersy, love, and tenderress flaving the uniortic. nate recipiert in a very distracted state of mind, a friar, and hard by a couple of priests in their on such nights in Mexico, when I saw the sharp done from azure paper, besprindled with hearts and graceful blick clouks and shovel hats. In the lines of tower and temple come boldly out with shadow of a pillar of the portals sneaks a misera- shape, and even color, almost as bright, yet soiler ble looking wretch, wrapped in his tattered blan- than noonday, I have often been tempted to say and western sides of the Plaza, or those portions of it which are not directly occopied by the cathedral offers; and he takes advantage of the latter emand National Palace, run the arched portals, suniher to the areades of Bologna. These are filled with gay shops, pediars, cases, old cluthes tays with gry shops, pedlars, cases, old clothes, toys, ty, and a roll of drums calling out the guard of Mexico, you have every climate in the world. In At a Stated Mosting of Susquehanna Council, flowerstenders, sweet-meate, book-stalls, cutlers, honor at the palace gate, give warning of a change the valley there is a perpetual spring. For six to find wood; offered our prayers to God this, sharty, and the nights are too cold to watch them, No. 31, O. U.A. M., he dat their Hall, on Weenes, can be a gayly-painted coach months in the year (the wind) months are and quidnunes, with glass windows on all sides, drawn by spotted called, rain never falls; during the other is months. with glass windows on all sides, drawn by spotted called, rain never falls; during the other ax months social time with glass windows on all sides, drawn by spotted a showers occur almost daily. It is never how.

Whereas, Thomas When, an American and a new one, is in continual discussion by knots of hand of large wilking on each side character and a new one, is in continual discussion by knots of hand of large wilking on each side character. band of boys walking on each side, chaunting a never very cool-and you may wear your cloak or Mechanic, either of which titles ensures the respect idlers. Above stairs, in some of the dwellings, are hymn; and in a moment, a death-like stillness per
your summer dress the whole year, according to o'clock. vales the whole square. From the tradesman, self-die temp rol your nervous system. One side of ing his tapes under the portales to the thief in his the street is always too warm at noon. Cold and durty blanket, the whole crowd is uncovered and sleeting as it is here in January, the roses are the Order of United American Mechanics, fully Cisa Municipal, or town Hall, in the lower story dying Catholic! The carriage is turning a coiner, Nor is there perceptible change of foliage on the and the square is alive again—the tradesman to forest trees; the new leaves push off the old ones seil, the lepero to steal, and the lesson of death is with a "gentle force," and the regeneration of the seasons is effected without the process of fading. restored to health and enabled to resume his former the wall, but near the centre of the edifice, beneath | Turning westward from the square, we reached wilting, withering and dying, which makes with us the dome. From this, extending around the choir the Alameda, a very short walk through the Calle the melancholy days of autumn, "the saddest of the

SINGULAR FACT IN NATURAL HISTORY.-Between four and five months ago, Mr. Robert Ricd, baron officer of the Honorable M. Stewart, Corsbie, Scotchurch, built of dark woods of the rarest antique and the more splendid one of the blue-robed monks land, having two hives of bees, the one pretty strong Mrs. Reed talks of crossing the mountain with her two or three days, and cache our goods here They and the other weak, took it in his head to make an children. form, clevating it from the floor of the building, of forest trees, planted on about ten acres of soft experiment with the weakest, as it was not worth OLDEST CHURCH.—In Hingham, Mass, they have and covered with gold and silver ornaments, candle, and luxurant soil. The wood, which is walled killing. He shut up the mouth of the "skep," Reed and Virginia, Milton, Elliott and Eliza Wilthe oldest inhabitable caurely in Nerta America. desticks and crosses,) is of wrought and polished and projected by gates closed every evening as the covering it with straw, and afterwards covering the liams started a short time ago, with the hope of led fifteen miles, and a severe snow storm came on : silver; and the whole is surmounted by a small bells toll for oracion, is intersected with walks and entire hive with earth, in the same manner as a pit crossing the mountains; left the children hero; it they left fourteen of the emigrants, the writer of which is older than this, but this is the oldest now temple, in which rests the figure, of the Virgin of surrounded by a carriage road. Fountains fling of potatoes. The strong hive, during the winter, was difficult for Mrs. Reed to part with thom. took for their sustenance upwards of ten pounds of Jan. 6-Eliza came back from the mountains sugar. On the 13th current the covered hive was yesterday evening, not being able to proceed; the with emeralds, and a third with diamonds—the filled with flowers and shubbery. The great dug up, in presence of Messrs. John Stewart, wri. others kept ahead. ter, John Mitchell, gardener, and others, when, Jan. 8-Very cold this morning; Mrs. Reed and found in a strong and healthy state. The "skep" the other side of the mountains, they have nothing santer and more secluded nooks, are circled with was lifted off the board, and there was not above a but hides to live on. stone seats. It is the fashion to come here in car. dozen dead bees in the lot; and it was truly pleas. Jan. 10-Began to snow last night; still contin-Passing from the cathedral door to the south ringes and on horseback every evening, (except ing to see them, when aroused from their dormant ues; wind west-north-west. eastern portion of the city, you reach the outskirts, during Lent.) and to drive round and round the state, flapping their wings and buzzing about, after Jan. 13-Snowing fast; snow higher than the crossing in your way the canals from the lake. I enclosure, on the soft roads in the dense shade, being shut up from light and air for four months and shanty; it must be thirteen feet deep; cannot get have rarely seen such miserable suburbs; they are until the vesper bell-or, to draw up in a line on thrteen days. About two hours after being opened, wood this morning; it is a dreadful sight for us to filled with hovels built with sun dried bricks, often the side of one of the highways while the cave. they were out in swarms busily gathering wax.

From the St. Louis Reveille. THRILLING JOURNAL.

Copy of a Journal kept by a Suffering Emigrant on the California Mountains, from October 31st

1846, to March 1st, 1847. TRUCKEY'S LAKE, Nov. 20, 1846. Came to this place on the 31st of last month;

Nov. 21-Fine morning, wind N. W.; twentybranch, in one place; the doves, making love the two of our company about starting to cross the business of their lives, in another; the mocking. mountains this day, including Stanton and his

> Nov. 22 - Froze hard last night; fine and clear Nov. 23-Same weather, wind west; the expedition across the mountains returned, after an unsuccessful attempt.

Nov. 25-Cloudy; looks like the eve of a snov storm; our mountaineers are to make another trial

Nov. 26-Began to snow last evening; now rain or s'eets; the party do not start to-day.

Nov. 29-Still snowing; now about three feet leep; wind west; killed my last oxen to-day; gave mother yoke to Foster; wood hard to be not. Nov. 30-Snowing fast; looks as likely to con-

inue as when it commenced; no living thing, without wings, can get about.

Dec. 1-Still snowing; wind west; snow about ing and repussing in their canoes, plying between Pasco with its fat: Lurd, n, dressed in the Prench six or six and a half feet deep; very difficult to get wood, and we are completely housed up; our cattle all killed but two or three, and these, with the horses and Stanton's mules, all supposed to be lost in the snow; no nopes of finding them alive. Dec. 3-Ceases snowing; cloudy all day; warm mough to thaw.

> Dgc 5--Beautiful sunshine, thawing a little; looks delightful after the long storm; snow seven or eight feet deep.

> Dec. 6-The morning fine and clear; Stanton and Graves manufacturing snow-shoes for another mountain scrabble; no account of mules-

Dec. 8-- I'me weather; froze hard last night; wind southwest; bard work to find wood safficient to keep us warm, or cook our beef.

Dec. 9-Commenced snowing about 11 o'clock : wind northwest; took in Spitzer yesterday, so starvation. Some have a scant supply of beef; | child were buried to-day; wind southeast. Stinton trying to get some for himself and Indians: not likely to get much.

Dec. 10-Snowed fast all night, with heavy squalls of wind; continues to snow; now about even feet in depth.

Dec. 11-Snows faster than any previous day; preparations to cross the mountains on snow-shoes; Spring will soon smile upon us. now eight feet on the level.

Dec. 16-Pair and pleasant; freze hard last night; the company started on snow-shoes to cross the mountains; wind southeast.

Dec. 17--Pleasant; Wm. Murphy returned from he mountain party last evening; Bulis Williams died night before last; Milton and Noah started think they are lost in the snow.

D.c. 19-Snowed last night, thawing to-day;

vind northwest, a little singular for a thaw, Dec. 20-Clear and pleasant; Mrs. Reed here God: Amen.

Dec. 21-Milton got back last night from Donner's camp; sad news; Jacob Donner, Samuel Shoetrong south-west wind.

God grant the request of unworthy sinners!

night, and snows yet, rapidly; extremely difficult are about to dig up the dead bodies around her Christmas, morning; the prospect is appalling, but but we hear them howlwe trust in Him.

wind east-by-south; looks like another snow storm; ent is very deep.

Jan. 1, 1847-We pray the God of mercy to dedug up a hide from under the snow yesterday; have not commenced on it yet.

Jan. 3-Fair during the day; freezing at night;

Jan. 3-Fine morning, looks like spring: Mrs.

wonderful to behold, the formerly weak hire was the others came back, could not find the way on

Jan, 14-Cleared off yesterday; the sun shining orilliantly renovates our spirits; praise be to the

God of Heaven. Jan. 15-Clear day again; wind northwest; Mrs. Murphy blind; Lanthron not able to get wood; has but one axe between him and Kiesburg; it looks like another storm; expecting some account

from Sutter's soon. Jan. 17-Eliza Williams came here this morning; Lanthron crazy last night; provisions scarce; iides our main subsistence; may the Almighty

end us help. Jan. 21-Fine morning; John Battise and Mr. Denton came this morning, with Eliza; she will not cat hides; Mrs. - sent her back to live or die on them.

Jan. 22-Began to snow after sunrise; likely to continue; wind north.

Jan. 23-Elew hard and snowed all night; the most severe storm we have experienced this winter; wind west.

Jan. 26-Cleared up vesterday; to-day fine and pleasant; wind south; in hopes we are done with snow storms; those who went to Sutter's not yet returned, provisions getting scant; people growing weak; living on small allowance of hides.

Jan. 27-Commenced snowing yesterday; still continues to-day. Lewis, (Sutter's Indian) died three days ago; food growing scarcer; don't have fire enough to cook our hides.

Jan. 30-Fair and pleasant; wind west; thawing in the sun; John and Edward Breen went to Graves' this morning; the --- seized on Mrs. --- 's goods until they would be paid; they also took the hides which herself and family subsisted upon. She regained two pieces only, the balance they have taken. You may judge from this what our fare is in camp; there is nothing to be had by hunting, yet perhaps there soon will be.

Feb. 3-Snowed hard until 12 o'clock last night; many uneasy for fear we shall all perish with hunger; we have but little meat left, and only three hides; Mrs. Reed has nothing but one hide, and that is on Graves' house; Milton lives there, and likely will keep that; Eddy's child died last night.

Feb. 5-It snowed faster last night and to-day than it has done this winter before; still continues without intermission; wind southwest; Murphy's folks and Kiesburg say they cannot cat hides; I wish we had enough of them; Mrs. Eddy is very werk.

Feb. 7-Cersed to snow at last; to-day it is quite pleasant; McCutcheon's child died on the 2d of this month.

Feb. S-Fine, clear morning; Spitzer died last night; we will bury him in the snow. Mrs Eddy died on the night of the 7th.

Feb. 9-Mr. Pike's child all but dead. Milton is at Murphy's, not able to get out of bed: Kiesburg weak that he cannot rise without help, caused by never gets up; says he is not able; Mrs. Eddy and

Feb. 10-Beautiful morning; thawing in the sun Milton Elliott died last night at Murphy's shanty; Mrs. Reed went there this morning to see after his effects. J. Denton trying to borrow meatfor Graves: had none to give; they had nothing but hides; all are entirely out of meat but a little we have; our Stanton and Graves, with several others, making | hides are nearly all caten up, but with God's help,

> Feb. 15 Morning cloudy until 9 o'clock, then cleared off warm. Mrs. - relused to give Mrs. - any hides. Put Sutter's pack hides on her shanty and would not let her have them.

Feb. 16 Commenced to rain last evening, and turned to snow during the night, and continued until morning; weather changeable, sunshine, then for Donners' eight days ago; not returned yet; light showers of hail, and wind at times. We all feel very unwell; the snow is not getting much less at present.

Feb. 19 Froze hard last night. Seven men arrived from California yesterday evening with provino account from Milton yet; Charles Burger set sions, but left the greater part on the way. To-day out for Donners'; turned back, unable to proceed; it is clear and warm for this region; some of the tough times, but not discouraged; our hopes are in | men have gone to Donners' camp; they will start back on Monday.

Feb. 22. The Californians started this morning, twenty-four in number, some in a very weak state maker, Rinehart and Smith are dead; the rest of Mrs. Kiesburg started with them, and left Kiesburg them in a low situation; snowed all night, with a here; unable to go. Buried Pike's child this motning in the snow; it died two days ago.

Dec. 23-Clear to-day; Milton took some of his Feb. 23 Froze hard last night; to-day pleasant neat away; all well at their comp Began this and thawy; has the appearance of spring, all but day to read the "Thirty Days' Prayer:" Almighty the deep snow; wind south southeast. Shot a dog to-day, and dressed his flesh.

Dec. 25-Beg in to snow yesterday; snowed all Feb. 25 To-day Mrs. Murphy says the wolves

Feb 26-Hungry times in camp; plenty of hides. Dec. 33-Fine, clear morning; froze hard last but the folks will not cut them; we cut them with night; Charles Berger died last evening about 10 | tolerably good appetite, thanks be to the Almighty God. Mrs. Murphy said here, yesterday, that she Dec. 31-Last of the year; may we, with the thought she would commence on Milton and cat help of God, spend the coming year better than we him; I do not think she has done so yet; it is dishave the past, war have propose to do, if it is the tressing. The Donners told the California folks, will of the Almighty to deliver us from our present | four days ago, that they would commence on the dreadful situation; Amen. Morning fair, but cloudy; dead people, if they did not succeed that day or the next in finding their cattle, then ten or twelve feet snow storms are dreadful to us; the snow at pres- under the snow, and did not know the spot, or near it; they have done it ere this.

Feb. 28 One solitary Indian passed by yesterliver us from our present calamity, if it be His day; came from the lake; had a heavy pack on his holy will. Commenced spowing last night, and back; gave me five or six roots resembling onions snows a little yet; provisions getting very scant; in shape; tasted some, like a sweet potato, full of tough little fibres.

March 1 Ten men arrived this morning from Bear Valley, with provisions. We are to start in say the snow will remain until June.

The above mentioned ten men started for the valley with seventeen of the sufferers; they travelthe above journal and his family, and succeeded in getting in but three children. Lieut. Woodworth immediately went to their assistance, but before he reached them they had eaten three of their number. who had died from hunger and fatigue; the remainder Lieutenant Woodworth's party brought in. On the 29th of April, 1847, the last member of that party was brought to Capt. Suiter's Fort. It is utterly impossible to give any descriptions of the sufferings of the company. Your readers can form some idea of them by perusing the above diary.

Yours, &c., George McKinstry, Jr.

Fort Sacramento, April 29th, 1847.