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THANKS.—To Col. Painter, Canal Commissioner, Messrs. Cessna, Linton, Rhey and Hemphill of the House, for their numerous favors.

Col. Milton Roberts has rented the Ebensburg House, which during the past year has been attended to so excellently by Mr. B. McDermitt. Col. R. will make an obliging and clever landlord, and we cheerfully recommend his house to the patronage of the public, and wish him much success in his new vocation.

Lecky Harper, Esq., of the Pittsburg Post, has disposed of one half of his interest in the same, to John Layton, Esq., formerly of Blairsville. Mr. Layton will be a valuable acquisition to Mr. Harper in the proprietorship of the Post, and it is a deserving mark of esteem to a young man who has been so long the confidential clerk of Mr. Harper, and has attended to his duties so faithfully. We wish friend John unbounded success in his new undertaking.

The weather for the past ten days has been beautiful indeed, and reminds us more of the sultry month of August, than the end of March and beginning of April. This is the season that infuses new life and animation into everything and is always welcome. At this time of year "Innumerable songsters, in the freshening shade of new sprung leaves; their modulations melodious," and in the language of the poet well may we exclaim:

"Come, gentle Spring, ethereal mildness come; And from the bosom of yon dropping cloud, While music wakes around, vail'd in a shower Of shadowing roses, on our plains descend."

COLLISION AND ACCIDENT.—A collision took place on Saturday last, between two freight trains while going around the short curve on the level between Planes No. 1 and No. 2. Mr. Inglebert Walters was the only person injured, and we sincerely hope he may soon recover. The locomotives were considerably damaged and were taken to Johnstown for repairs.

FATAL ACCIDENT.—On Saturday last a stranger named Michael Brentz was walking up Plane No. 2, Portage Railroad, and to avoid the train going down, stepped over on the track on which the section of a boat was coming up. He was thrown under the wheels, the whole section passing over him, and was instantly killed, his body being mutilated in the most shocking manner. We understand he was lately from the neighborhood of Blairsville and was on his way to Aliquippa, Blair Co.

We rejoice to learn that Capt. P. W. McDonald, 2nd Dragoons, U. S. Army, has been promoted to the rank of Major, for gallant conduct and meritorious services in the Mexican War. Captain McDonald is a native of Cambria, and as an officer and soldier he has done the State much service. He was engaged in all the battles of the Mexican War, except Buena Vista, and although the honor now conferred upon him should have been granted long since, still it is gratifying to his friends that the United States are not forgetful of the honor justly due its well tried and faithful servants.

We have received the first two numbers of the "Pictorial Drawing-Room Companion," a new paper published in Boston, by Frederick Gleason, Esq., and edited by Maturin M. Ballou, Esq., which is undoubtedly the most beautiful and unique sheet published in the United States, and is superior to the London Illustrated News. In the words of the Editor, it is their determination "to publish the most elegant specimen of the art typographical, as well as the most original

and valuable weekly journal in the world." The numbers on our table contain excellent original articles, and are embellished with views of Franklin Square, Philadelphia, the Chrystal Palace, London, Fanueil Hall, Boston, Sacramento City, California, City Park, New York, Steamer Atlantic, likeness of Rev. George Copway, the celebrated Ojibewa Chief, and we would wish to see this paper in the hands of every family. Terms \$8 per year for a single subscription, two copies for \$5, eight copies for \$16, &c. A club should be raised here. Subscriptions received at our office.

sion, and the first President of the infant Republic, would be a formidable candidate for the campaign in 1852. His course in the Senate of the United States has been the very embodiment of all that is democratic, all that is national, and is satisfactory to the party.

We consider it premature at this early day to agitate the Presidential question, and the time will come around soon enough when the people can speak out on this important affair, and then the voice of the people shall be respected, and freely acquiesced in by us.

CORRESPONDENCE OF THE "MOUNTAIN SENTINEL."

HARRISBURG, March 31, 1851.

DEAR "SENTINEL."—As you stand guard upon the watch towers of the old Alleghenies, and no doubt wish to keep a record of passing events in the columns of your valuable newspaper, it is not, I hope, presuming too much, if a member of the "Old Guard" should ask you to publish a few remarks concerning the transactions of our Senate and Legislature.

Within the past week, and I might add, indeed, for the last month, both Houses have been doing all they possibly could to get through with the business before them, prior to adjournment, and their zeal in this affair is certainly commendable.

The 15th day of April has been fixed upon as the day to adjourn *sine die*; and at the end of that time the members who are married will be en route to their families and homes, and their long absence will of course render them more dear and much more prized, to those kind partners of their fortunes and misfortunes, who for three long months have been minus their accustomed presence. But to those upon whom the garments and weeds of matrimony have not yet been cast, all they can expect, or possibly look for, is the aquiescence in their course of their lady love, in imitation of the reception that awaited the knights of old, when in the wars of the crusades all they wished was the approval of their betrothed, and they returned to meet it. But both married and unmarried members will be anxious that their constituency should award him their just praise, and endorse their legislative career; but as this is a question that the people can decide at the polls—therefore, I shall not debate it.

A bill to incorporate the Pennsylvania State Agricultural Society has passed the House, and no doubt will be successful in the Senate. An appropriation of \$2000 is made for the first exhibition, and an amount annually as large as the contributions of the members, but not to exceed \$2000, is also appropriated.

The bill incorporating the Susquehanna Railroad Company has passed the Senate.

The bill taxing tonnage 3 mills per ton per mile, and passengers 10 cents on the York and Cumberland Rail Road, passed the Senate with the amendment that the Legislature reserves the right to increase the tax on tonnage.

A resolution was adopted requesting the committee on Finance to inquire into the expediency of reporting a bill authorizing the Canal Commissioners to invite proposals for leasing the Columbia Rail Road for a term of years.

The following bill read in place by your excellent member, Mr. Linton, "A bill to incorporate the Somerset and Conemaugh Plank Road Company," passed finally.

A bill to repeal the odious law of 1847 was so amended in the Senate by the so-called patriotic! Whigs, as to repeal only the sixth section of that act, which denied the use of the jails of this commonwealth for the temporary detention of fugitives from labor. The present law grants the use of the prisons. Gen. Packer made a powerful speech on this question, and clearly proved the 4th section of the act to be in conflict with the constitution of the United States. The Democratic members were (with a single exception) for the repeal of the four sections of this abolition bill, and the Whig members against it. With the Whig party and Gov. Bill Johnston rests the responsibility of the defeat of this bill, and a day of reckoning will come to all those who are more desirous of being associated with abolitionism and negro sympathy, than to be as they really should, the revisors of obnoxious laws, and the real representatives of a State whose devotion to the Union is unquestionable.

The following bill has passed the Senate: "A bill to provide for the election of Judges of the several courts of this commonwealth," so modified that every Court of Quarter Sessions, trying a case of contested election of any Judge, shall be composed of three judges, one of whom shall be learned in the law, and that the Supreme Judge be voted for on a separate slip of paper, and all other judges required to be learned in the law, on a separate ticket, except in the city and county of Philadelphia.

A bill has passed the Senate and House giving the power to the Courts of the Commonwealth to grant charters for the incorporation of Boroughs, which will in future give the Legislature more time for the consideration of the public business. The bill for the payment of the officers and soldiers of the Pennsylvania Regiments who served in the Mexican war, of a certain amount for clothing, when they were mustered into the U. S. service, passed the Senate, and having previously passed the House, has become a law. This is but just, and the soldiers will remember who were the opponents and who the friends of the bill; among the former are Mr. Walker, Judge Myers and Mr. Konigsmacher; and of the latter,

Gen. SAM HOUSTON, of Texas, seems to be a popular candidate for this high office. He enjoyed the friendship and confidence of the immortal Jackson, is the terror of the nullifiers and disunionists, the Hero of San Jacinto, the liberator of Texas from the yoke of Mexican oppres-

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It was stated upon the authority of Sec'y

Corwin himself, that he was determined

to construe the law so as to add freight

and other charges to the value of the im-

ported articles, thereby increasing the duty

upon them. What has taken place to alter

his expressed determination, the public is

left to divine. It is not unlikely, however,

that partisan considerations surmounted

those of public duty, in the hope of re-

taining power and place, by another mis-

chievous agitation of the Tariff question

before the people. This is the manner in

which the nearest interests of the masses

are neglected, by those who are loudest in

expressions of solicitude for their advance-

ment. Pennsylvania is certainly very

much indebted to the Cabinet for its late

construction; particularly to Mr. Webster

and Mr. Corwin, both of whom used to

be anxious for increased duties. The

former gentleman, however, has been so

much engrossed of late, in saving the Union

by making speeches, writing letters, re-

ceiving presents and eating dinners, that

his whole time has been occupied. After

the confederacy is secured, perhaps his sav-

iors may do something for the people;

at present they cannot expect anything.



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