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THURSDAY MORNING FEBRUARY

Hon. John L. Dawson, M. C., will please ac cept our thanks for valuable pub. doc.

We are indebted to D. A. Magehan Esq., for late city papers.

We learn from the Johnstown "Echo" that John Mathews Esq , and family have left that place for a new home in Iowa.

GRAHAM'S MAGAZINA .- The February number of this excellent monthly came to hand in due time. It is embellished with numerous engravings, and well stored with useful reading matter.

Pine County.

Mr. King from the Committee on New Counties, has reported a bill for the crection of Pine county, out of parts of Clearfield, Indiana and Cambria. As there appears to be such a desire to cut up Cambria both in the North and South, we respectfully suggest whether it would not be as well whilst they are about it, to make the Turnpike the dividing line, throw all North of it into PINE, South of it to CONEMAUGH, and extinguish CAMERIA from the map of the State altogether.

Conemaugh County.

We perceive by the Legislative proceedings that Mr. King from the Committee on "New Counties and County Seats," has reported a bill to the House for the erection of Conemaugh county, and it is asserted that it will be passed by the present Know Nothing Legislature.

As it is proposed to take Fairfield township from Westmoreland to form the new county, a very la-ge meeting of the citizens of that county was recently held, at which Col. Amos Ogden of Fairfield presided, "to take action in regard to the unwarrantable means which are now being made in the Legislature to dismember Westmoreland county." The following among other resolutions

was adopted: Resolved, That we deny the right of the citizens of Johnstown to invade by design or action our territory, and in direct opposition to the expressed wishes of the inhabitants of Fairfield township. attempt to separate it from its connection with the other parts of Westmoreland county. Such an effort is neither in itself just, nor in accordance with the spirit of our Republican government.— The people, in all matters affecting their interests, should be fully consulted and fairly heard.

A meeting was also held to further the project in Johnstown on Saturday last, the call for which we clip from the Johnstown Tribune.

The Friends of a New County are requested to meet at Fronheiser's Hall this evening, for the purpose of considering ways and means to further the measure. Let there be a general turn-out. The present time is propitious for action, and it is vitally important that we strike while the iron is hot. Now or never. MANY CITIZENS.

Sale of the Public Works.

The object of selling the public works appears to be leaking out, by which the speculators and banking people expect to reap a rich harvest .-The following petition is being circulated along the line of public works and perhaps elsewhere. In alluding to it, the Lancaster Examiner says:

"We have not heretofore deemed this petition of ment entertain the idea of voting for such proposition :- but since the introduction of the bill to confer on negroes the right to vote there is no telling what may happen." To the Senate and Hause of Representatives of

We the undersigned citizens of said Common wealth, most respectfully, yet earnestly represent to your honorable bodies: That you pass a law directing all the public works now had and held by the said Commonwealth, to be sold at public sale, unconditionally, to the highest and best bid-

Giving and granting unto such person or persons, company or companies, the right and privi-lege of banking: with, say one-fifth of the nett amount of such part or parts as shall be sold in pursuance of said law: And we would also, most respectfully suggest, that one-third of said fifth be located in the city of Philadelphia; one-third of the same be located in the city of Pittsburg; and the remaining third in such place or places as your honorable b dies may designate.

Ohio Newspapers on the Cash Plan.

At the Convention of Chio editors held last week at Zanesville, the following resolution was adopted:

"Resolved, That from and after the first of March, 1855, we will conduct our business only upon the cash principle. All subscriptions, advertisements and jobbing must be paid for strictly in advance, except where we have mutual dealings with business men."

We should like to see the cash system adopted by the Press generally. We know of no class of men in business, that suffers as much as do the publishers of newspapers. Sooner or later the party will cordially respond: cash system will have to be adopted, and we should like to see a move made by the publishers in this county. There is scarcely a mail reachers us that we do not receive a paper returned, and the subscriber owing us from four to six dollars. Few are aware of the trouble, expense and loss that printers are subject to. We see by the last Blair County Whig, that it is publishing a list of its delinquent subscribers, with the amount due set opposite their names. We have the names of a number who have stopped the Democrat & Scn-

Mayor Wood of New York has astonished closing up the drinking saloons on the Sabbath, and otherwise enforcing the laws. There was no drunken men to be seen, and only one prisoner in the sixth ward station house on Sunday last. The people are all amazed to think how easy the laws A Capital Hit.

John Rowan, Esq., of Kentucky, having been called upon from several quarters to bereasons alleged in a letter to the Louisville tor. Times. He says:

"I am unwilling to peril the fair prospects of the party by becoming their standard-bearer in the next contest, for the simple reason that my wife is a Catholic. I see that a highly respectable Whig paper (the Commonwealth) estimates the number of Know-Nothings in Kentucky at fifty thousand; and, as I have been informed by good authority, that no man who has a Catholic wife can be a member of that society, it is fair to presume that they would not vote for a man so circumstanced. If this be true, fifty thousand citizens of Kentucky would say to me. "What though you are a native of Kentucky, and your ancestors were among the pioneers of this fair land; what though your grand-fathers, Lytle and Rowan, lost the earnings of their lives-the first by the torch of the Indian, the last by the moneys of the Continental Congress—what though they did toil on fighting the Indian and felling the forest, and under all these difficulties educate a portion of their families, and that portion not unknown or undistinguished in the histories of Ohio, Kentucky, and the nation; and what though you may be qualified to discharge the high duties of the office you aspire to; we, fifty thousand citizens of Kentucky, living happily around our hearthstones, won for us by the daring of such men as you spring from, are determined that you shall not be Governor of Kentucky Mr. Rowan, because your wife, exercising the right guaranteed by the constitution of the United States, and the constitution of every State in the Confederacy, to worship God as she pleases, is a Catholic It matters not to us that the ancestors of that wife were of those who landed with Lord Baltimore, and established the good old colony of Maryland (to this hour the home of refinement and hospitality), the first to invite the

Chief Justice Taney.

consciences,"

Senator Badger, of North Carolina, on introducing in the U. S. Senate a bill to increase the compensation of the Judges of the Supreme Court, &c., spoke sentiments marked with truth and magnanimity. When Chief Justice Taney was recommended by President Jackson for the exalted position he has so long filled, the Whig press generally, says Warrenton (N. C.) News. "were lavish in their abuse of the man and held in low estimation his attainments as a jurist. It is pleasing to reflect that justice is finally duly awarded to virtue and talent, especially when united in the same person; and that after the storm of passion has passed by, and feeling give way to reason re-established upon her throne of light, men of sterling worth and liberal views are satisfied to be Know Nothings. will at last come forward to award the tribute that is due to eminent worth. To those of our Whig friends, in whose bosoms the rancor of partizan bitterness still usurps the place, idea that the British Commodore on that station corrodes the lustre of their better nature, we is the executive magistrate of the place. would specially commend, for their just admiration, the following beautiful compliments, to the high character and eminent services of the chief justice of their country, from the \$272,62. lips of their own most gifted and honored

But who are the men sir, in whose behalf I make this appeal to your justice and magnanimity? I may instance one or two without fearing to be invidious. There is the venerable magistrate who presides in that court. sufficient importance to be noticed—not supposing any member of the Legislature would for a mo-Justice Wray. He is emphatically "a most reverend judge, of profound and judicial knowledge, accompanied with a ready and singular capacity, grave and sensible elec-tion, and continual and admirable patience." He is a noble specimen of what the judicial character should be. Every senator knows that he has discharged all the duties of high office with an integrity unimpeached, with courtesy which has never, in a single instance ing inelligible. been swerved from its propriety. He has labored on without complaining; he has asked nothing; but, there looking only to his country and his duty, and meeting increased demands upon his time and strength with new exertions of energy and perseverance, he continues to preside in that high court which is the sheetanchor of our institutions, a worthy successor of that illustrious man who immediately preceded him.

Yet, it is such men whom the intolerant secret order would persecute and proscribe from office, because, in the exercise of religious freedom secured by the Constitution, they worship God in a form distasteful to the Know Nothings, according to the dictates of their honest conscience!

The Democratic Party.

The Indiana State Sentinel has the following advice and encouragement for the Democratic party, to which all good friends of that

"Let the Democratic party itself remain intact—let it but preserve its integrity—maintain its unity, and pursue steadily and faithfully its well defined and republican policy—and its progress will be onward—its ascendancy certain. Joined to no faction, and united upon the cardinal principles of its faith, it stands to-day the most powerful organization in the land. There have been and are temporary estrangements, but these are in may instances owing too, and are to be placed to the a number who have stopped the Democrat & Scn- account of temporary measures and proce-tinel, who have not paid one cent from the time dings. Notwithstanding, as we have confithey first subscribed; these we intend to sue for dence in the people, we cannot doubt, that the amount due us, and if we cannot reach them we will adopt the plan of the Blair County Whig.

with the passing away of the exigencies which gave rise to them, and with the development of new issues involving the fate of Democratic principles, the standard of Democracy will the whole city by his promptness and activity in be again elevated, high over all others,—the eyes of the people directed to it, and the an-ehor loosed from its hold for the time being, will be imbedded deeper than ever before in the great popular heart.

Ar-It is said that the Russian war has already can be enforced, in the great city of New York. | made 11,000 widows in England.

SUMMARY OF NEWS.

U. S. SENATOR. -Somebody, in a late number come a Democratic candidate for Gevernor of of the Pennsylvanian, suggests the name of Gen. that State, declined to assume the position for Seth Clover for the dignified office of U. S. Sena-

doubt of the election of Gen. Simon Cameron to the U.S. Senate.

15-Col. Doniphan, one of the heroes of the Mexcan war, was thrown from a stage near Jefferson City, Missouri, a few days ago, and so badly injured as to render his recovery doubtful.

Tet-A young man named James Gallagher, was aught in the rollers at the Great Western Iron Works, above Kittanning, one day last week, and drawn through them. He is probably dead.

Oc-Local politics run high in the Western counry. A candidate for county clerk in Texas, offered to register marriages for nothing. His opponent, undismayed, promised to do the same and throw a cradle in.

3G-Brigham Young, the present leader of the formons, is a native of Oxford county, Maine.

33-Robert G. Simpson, late County Treasurer of Philadelphia, who was indicted for embezzlement, has been acquitted by verdict of the jury.

63-A "Matron of Virginia," appeals through he Richmond papers to the ladies of that State, asking them to petition the legislature to contract for the purchase of Mount Vernen, reserving to itself the title, but allowing the women of America to pay for it.

My-Hon. John Slidell was a few days ago elected U. S. Senator by the Legislature of Louisiana, for six years from the 4th of March next,

Ars-Hon, John S. Wells has been appointed U. S. Senator, by the Governor of New Hampshire, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Mr.

The Regular census of the Philadelphia Almshouse, shows a population of 2,543, being an increase of 427 over the same time last year.

Religionists of Christendom to come and worship God according to the dictates of their own There is a gentleman living in New Haven aged 44 years, who is the youngest member of a family of ten children, all of whom are living .-The oldest is 66 years old, and their united ages mount to 583 years.

> 83-During the year 1854 no fewer than 76,687 persons died in London out of a population of two illions and a half; 4765 more than died during the disastrous cholera year 1849.

> Of-The prohibitory liquor bill has passed the Assembly of New Jersey, by a vote of 35 to 22, three nembers being absent. It has yet to be acted on the Senate, and if successful there, will be submitted to the people in October next.

A landlord in New York city, who sued his enant for house rent, has been non-suited, because the house was overrun with roaches,

83-A few years back, according to the Lynchburg Republican, the Whig party claimed to have all the intelligence of the country. Now, they

15-It is said that the people of Greytown are mder the impression that the English government still protects them, and it is a generally received

The contributions to the Washington monument during 1854, amounted io \$31,763,93, all of which was expended, with the exception of

33-The St. Louis Intelligencer publishes the names of a jury, who, after they had acquitted a man tried for murder, adjourned to his cell, having been invited to do so, where they indulged in regular carousal, one half of them becoming France and Spain.

63-Commander Jolly, of the British war scoonr Bermuda, the same who protested against the bombardment of Greytown, is dead.

nate to the Pennsylvania Agricultural Society. two hundred acres of land, situated in Girard township, Erie county, provided the organization locate an agricultural college on said land.

The New Hampshire Know Nothings hold another Convention on the 30th inst., to nominate unsurpassed learning, and with a decorum, a a candidate for Governor, the Rev. Mr. Moore be-

> 83-There is six feet of snow in the Northern was of New Hampshire.

65-A bill has been passed by the United States Senate appropriating \$300,000 towards extending the edifice of the Post Office Department in

83-A bill for the relief of the heirs of Baron De Kalb, passed the United States Senate on Friday-

13-Advices from the Sandwich Islands, bring nformation of the death of King Kamehameha, and that his son had been declared the successor

03-Petitions are in circulation in the neighborhood of Pottstown, for the repeal of the School Law establishing the office of County Superin-

63-Corns may be cured by simply walking away with them. To make the cure permanent, don't

83-A returned Australian objects to the mode of sleeping in that country. He says for sleeping three nights on a bed stuffed with clam shells and broken crockery, he was charged \$13.

83-Not correct—the statement that all letters have to be pre-paid since the first of January .-The bill of Mr. Olds, containing such a clause, passed the House but was lost in the Senate.

605-A man says, the first thing that turned his attention to matrimony, was the neat and skillful nanner in which a pretty girl bandled a broom. He may see the time when the manner in which the broom is handled will not afford him so much

Re-Robert Dale Owen has turned up in London, with a proclamation to all nations and people to meet him there next May, and hear glad tidings of great joy. He has already regenerated the world several times, and this last enterprise is

Art-A coal boat at Mauch Chunk was destroyed captain and his son, who were salesp in her, were ment troops was four, and the rebels had burned to death.

ARRIVAL OF THE AFRICA. ONE WIEK LATER FROM EUROPE

HALIFAX, January 30. The steamer Africa arrived to-day, with Liverpool dates to the 20th, being one week

The war news is entirely unimportant .-03-The latest advices from Harrisburg leave no Nothing decisive has occurred before Sevasto-

pol, and affairs remained unchanged. Negointions are still in progress, but nothing is certainly known respecting them.

The chief interest of the news centres in the

proceedings of the Congress of Vienna. The opes of peace and fears of war are of vast

magnitude, equally balanced.

The French and English Ministers at Vienna have received the necessary power to re-open negotiations. Gortschakoff, it is understood, has received written instructions from his government, which, it is rumored, is anxious for peace.

There are conflicting statements, as usual about Austria, but it is generally understood that she leans towards the allies.

Prussia complains of Austria's actions. Efforts are making to obtain the consent of the ailies, especially by the Prussian cabinet.

The approaching Congress of Nations is more and more talked of, and the Daily News ooks for good results of the Congress, if the

United States takes part. Bavaria had almost completed the complement of her army.

Letters say that the Swedish army would immediately be placed on a war footing, and nereased to 65,000 men.

Russia is preparing for the spring campaign, and the Baltic army is organizing. The latest dates from the Crimea are to the

10th. Affairs were precisely as before.—
Omar Pasha arrived at the camp on the 5th,
and returned to Varna on the 6th. Reinforcements were constantly reaching the allies. Lord Raglan has sent to India for the 10th Hussars, and the Turks in the Crimea are to be made up to sixty thousand men during January.

The Russian reinforcements were advancing by forced marches. The weather was frosty, with some snow

which retarded the besiegers. The Piedmontese troops embark on the 28th

of February. Private Vienna letters say that Gortschakoff is instructed to accept any terms except the reduction of the Russian fleet, and the occupation of Russian territory.

There is nothing further about the invasion The Russians, after the affair at Fultscha,

re-crossed the Danube. A Vienna despatch, says that Buol has demanded an explanation of this affair from

Gortschakoff. The Turkish force at Dobrudscha is estimated at 30,000, mostly recruits. The fleets in the Black Sea have sustained

GPRAT BRITAIN Cobden has addressed his constituents at Leeds, stigmatizing the attack on Sevastopol as a colossal mistake; the question being how

to get out of it. Other speakers favored the Lacy Evans has been offered an Indian ap-

pointment, in order to frustrate his contemplated disclosures in Parliament. Four hundred London dock laborers had

been sent to the Crimea to unload ships. The fate of the British ship Beernice, which has been missing since 1852, from Shanghai, has been discovered. The Europeans on board were murdered by Lascars, and the crew of the ship burned. The assassins were captured and executed.

Baring & Brothers announce that they will repay the English deposits on the French loan, the whole amount of which will be taken in

The new constitution has been submitted to the Chambers. Its main features are that the sovereignty emanates from the nation. The religion of the nation is Roman Catholic, but toleration is allowed. The press will be free. 63-Hon James Miles, of Erie, has offered to do-ate to the Pennsylvania Agricultural Society, penalty for political offences are abolished. A national guard is established. The legislature is to consist of two chambers; the Senators to be elected for life, with property qualifications. There is to be one representative out of every 50,000 citizens. The Courts to meet annually. The Courts to regulate the strength of the army and give assent to royal marriages, and appoint the regency when oc-

easion requires. SWITZFRLAND. The Swiss conference is about to be opened, with a view of adjusting existing difficulties between Austria, Switzerland and Den-

The bill altering the constitution passed the

first reading in the Legislature. A six-fold land tax, payable in twenty-four instalments, is to be imposed on Polish pro-

Latest From California. NEW YORK, January 30 .- The Star of the West arrived with 200 passengers and \$640. 000 in specie. Consigned to Duncan & Sher man, \$402,000; Adams, \$107,000: Wells & Fargo, \$51,000 Drexel & Co., of Philadelphia, \$25,000; Newhouse & Spartz, of Philadelphia \$13,000

The Sierra Nevada arrived at San Francis-Copious rains prevailed throughout the State, and the miners and agriculturists were

rejoicing under the improved prospects.

The storm of the 1st had done much damage in many places.

The Legislature assembled on the 2d. Stone, Whig, has been elected Speaker of the Assembly for the Territory acquired under the Gadsden treaty.

There are reports in various shapes of the discovery of rich mines of gold and copper, and the emigration is tending towards the New Purchase, which will soon be filled with

an active population.

The majority of the prisoners who escaped from the Penitentiary have been recaptured.

Measures are on foot to fund the city debt

Meiggs, the defaulter, has turned up at Tahite. On the 19th of November he was to sail for Aitutadi. From the Sandwhich Islands we learn that

a disturbance took place at Raiatea Island, adjacent to Tahiti. One of the Chief revolted against the King; a battle ensued which lasted five hours, and resulted in the disperby fire on Wednesday night, and two persons, the sion of the rebels, The loss of the Govern.

From Philadelphia.

Correspondence of the Democrat & Sentinel.

Relief of the Poor—Price of Building Lots—Acquittal of a Defaulter—A Snow Storm—Renovation of Independence Hall—A Comic Duel—Arrest of a man for Eloping with his own wife,

In olden times Philadelphia was called the "City of Brotherly Love," but the spirit of rowdyism and riot became so predominant that this name was only applied to her in derision. Within the past few weeks, however, she has been doing much to regain her old reputation, by the prompt and generous liberality with which her citizens have responded to the appeal made to them on behalf of the suffering poor. Bravely have they battled with the fiend-poverty, and if they have not driven him from all his haunts, they have at least bound up all the wounds his poignant arrows have inflicted, and provided antedotes against his sharp strings in many quarters, where but for this timely aid they would have inflicted terrible, if not fa-

Some time ago the National Government advertised for proposals for a site for the erection of a post office and U.S. court buildings in this city, and the bids are published in one of our morning papers, from which a tolerably fair idea may be formed of the price at which real estate in good business locality is held. The rates ranged from \$6 up to \$30 per square foot of ground—the competitors generally demanding \$10a12.

The trial of our late County Treasurer, Robert G. Simpson, for the embezzlement of the funds of the State on a criminal indictment has just been concluded, to the surprise and amazement of almost every body, by a verdict of " not guilty."-The case was very clearly and strongly made out in a manner, that it was supposed, under the existing laws of our State, would have insured conviction. The plea of the defence consisted mainly in an affirmation of his utter ignorance of what was transpiring in the office he was elected to discharge the dutis of, and an attempt to throw all responsibility upon his subordinates.

We had a slight fall of snow here on Thursday night which excited lively hopes of sleighing, and actually enticed some few individuals into a trial of it, but they were served almost as shabbily as poor Cinderella when her brilliant coach horses were converted into mice, for a few stray gleams of the sun and the multitude of wheeled vehicles traversing the streets, transformed the pure white drapery into dingy slushy mud by an early hour, and they were left to find their way home over the rough stones as best they could.

Old Independence Hall, around which richly cluster so many memories dear to the American heart, has recently undergone a thorough process of renovation. The room in which the Declaration of Independence was signed, has been handsomely furnished, and its walls adorned with the portraits of a number of the heroes and sages of our Revolutionary era. It also contains a variety of interesting relics, prominent among which is the old bell, cast nearly a hundred years since, which was with such remarkable appositeness in- true. In such a case there is no intent to do the land, and all the inhabitants thereof," The place for the meeting of our City Councils, which now forms a body quite large, if not very "respectable." The steeple or cupola is now undergoing a process of repainting, and the ever present business committee of idlers which congregates around labores when there is the slightest novelty in their proceedings, has been eagerly gazing at the busy workmen who are perched so high up in the air that their size appears quite

A couple of our young (milk and water) bloods recently concluded to enjoy the (unusual in this locality) luxury of a duel. Like nearly all similar effairs in this region, it partook far more of a comic than a tragic character. The belligerent spirit of our people seems to find its avenue for development, principally if not entirely in riots, four hundred and ninety-six wounded. or street fights, or renconters of a more or less bloody and fatal character, while the passions were in full activity and the original cause of and eighty-eight, with the loss of five hundred and cighty-seven, souls, and two hundred and quarrel still held in keen remembrance, but either because time cools their rage or causes their cousage to coze out, or on account of the strong public sentiment here in opposition to duelling, it has become an utterly obsolete idea, so far as regards bona fide meetings, where both parties seriously entertain deadly intents upon each other, and in the public mind the idea of a duel is almost inseparately connected with that of a farce.

The two gentlemen who have just made their first and I presume last appearance in the comic duello characters are both in the spring tide of youth-say about eighteen. An altercation ensued between them on some exciting topic, a lady, I presume, when Mr. A. called Mr. B. "a coward," whereupon Mr. B. duly sent him a challeuge, which was accepted. A grove, near Camden, was the scene of action. "Fire," after the words "one, two, three"-the signal for the commencement of the action. The parties were prompt to their appointment, and both paled with fear while the seconds were enjoying the scene hugely, for you must understand that they had been very careful to take the humane precaution of loading the pistols with nothing but powder .-At the word "one" Mr. A. was observed to tremble violently, the word "two his teeth chattered, his knees beat a reville upon each other; at the word "three" his superabundent instinct of selfpreservation obtained complete mastery over all other considerations, and he incontinently fired .-It is somewhat doublful whether he will ever apply the epithet "coward" to his associates

A funny affair took place in the outer part of our city a few days ago. You may recollect that a short time since, the young wife of a commission merchant in New York, eloped from that city with a Southern gentleman. The outraged husband telegraphed to the police in the different Atlantic cities, to arrest the guilty pair. A gengleman and his wife who had been out riding. some little carryall, drawn by two spanking bay horses. A couple of policemen stopped the "team" and total the gentleman off nolens rolens complaint. "I arrested him on the charge of an pendous enterprise. Orders for tickets should be elopement,', said the foremost officer. "And so sent in Immediately. There are fortunes in redid I, too," chimed in the other officer, pompous- serve for somebody.

ly, opening his coat and displaying a glittering star," "Elopement!" exclaimed the wife, bursting into a flood of tears. "Elopement!" responded the husband bursting into a fit of laughter. "Elopement!" ejaculated the magistr te, shutting up his big book and wiping his spectacles Well! this is the first time I ever heard of a man running away with his own wife!" The policemen received a severe reprimand, and the gentleman and wife, being content with the explanation of the cause of the arrest, drove off in perfect good humor for home. Yours, P.

Minnesota and Oregon.

Letters from Oregon state that the increase of population this year by emigration does not exceed fifteen hundred. The St. Paul (Minnesota) Pioneer says, "From all that we have seen and heard relative to the number of persons who have settled in Minnesota the past season, we should judge that no less than twenty-five thousand actual settlers have pitched their tents with us since the opening of navigation. They have not settled with us in any one particular locality, but dispersed themselves all over the territor. Next son the number will be much increa

COUNTERFEIT GOLD DOLLARS .- There is at present in circulation counterfeit gold dollars. It is made of pure brass gilt. It differs but slightly from the genuine coin, in its appearance; though a close inspection of the wreath, on one side, will show they are not exactly the same. The weight of this counterfeit is only 16 grains, while that of the genuine is 28. The difference in weight is such as to be plainly perceptible, on comparing the two, notwithstanding the diminutive size of the coin. The connterfeit is a dangerous one, from the fact of being so small, it is not apt to be closely scrutinized as would be a larger coin.

As there are many of the little shiners in this neighborhood, our citizens cannot be too careful.

83-The "seventeen year" locusts, according to Dr. Gideon B. Smith, of Baltimore, who has paid much attention to the subject, will appear this eason in very small numbers on the whole Eastern Shore of Maryland, and on the Western Shore along the old Liberty and Windsor Mill roads, commencing about five miles from Baltimore, and extending to Carlisle, Pa. In Virginia they will appear in Kanawha county; in Kentucky, about Lexington, Frankfort, Flemingsburg, and extending to Meigs, and Gallia counties, Ohio; and in Massachusetts, about Barnstable, and adjacent towns. He says they may now be found in those places buried a font or two deep in the earth, wherever trees, shrubbery or woods grew in 1838.

JUDGES GET.ING SENSIBL . ON THE LAW OF LIBEL. -Judge Oakley recently expressed an opinion that, when an editor of a newspaper merely states a rumor that is abroad-such. for example, as that a certain person, naming him had issued stock illegal and abscondedhe should be exhonerated, provided that is which first announced the birth of the Nation, and | was fact that the rumor existed, although not stance that is commonly spoken of in business second story has been elegantly arranged as a circles, as a matter of public interest ought not be regarded as libellous when an editor states it .- Detroit Times.

Facts of the Year.

The entire loss from fires in the United States for the year, is estimated at about twenty-five million dollars. There were also eighty-three fires, in which loss of life ensued, the number of victims being one hundred and

seventy-one. The number of railroad accidents was one hundred and ninety-three, killing one hundred and eighty-six persons, and wounding five hundred and eighty-nine. In 1853, there were only one hundred and thirty-eight similar accidents, but attended with the loss of two hundred and thirty-four lives, besides

The steamboat accidents of the year have alarmingly increased, the total number reachtwenty five wounded, against thirty-one accidents, three hundred and nineteen killed and one hundred and fifty-eight wounded in 18-

Crime, too, of every grade, foots up a fearful catalogue. There were six hundred and eighty-two murders, and eighty-four execu-

tions during the year. The list of mortality for the year includes the demise of eighteen men, and twenty-seven women who had attained the age of one hundred years and upward. One (a colored woman) was said to be one hundred and forty six, and another (an Indian woman) one hundred and forty-two years of age. The oldest white man was one hundred and seven, and the oldest white woman, one hundred and twenty-seven years.

A Good DEED .- Judge Jessup, of Montrose, Pa., has induced some thirty boys to leave the city of New York and go into Pennsylvania, where places are provided for them among the farmers. These lads were sent out on Tuesday, all embarking together, un-der the care of a son of their benefactor. The Tribune says that among this interesting party was one pale faced boy, of about 15 years, born in that city, of once well-to-do Ameri-can parents, who had been reduced to want, and now out of work and most starving. The boy was glad to go, but it had been a bitter pill to part with his fond mother.

R. G. Simpson, late Treasurer of Philadelphia county, has been acquitted of the charge of embezzlement of the State funds by the jury, to whom the case was given in the Court of Nisi Prius. The jury consumed two days in arriving at this remarkable verdict.

Important News for the Shareholders in Perham's Third Gift Enterprise.

It will be seen by reference to advertisement in our paper of to-day, that the Committee appoinwere on their return from Bustleton, in a hand- ted by the Shareholders at their last meeting, have issued a call for a final meeting of all interested, to get their instructions in reference to the distribution of the Gift property. We are pleased to the nearest magistrate. "For what am I to find the matter so near a consummation, and brought here ?" indignantly asked the gentleman. hope that Mr. Perham will receive the patronage The Alderman looked as grave as an owl in a he so well deserves for the liberality and energy gooseberry bush, and turned to the officers for the displayed in getting up and prosecuting this stu-