

FROM CHINA.

Last evening the Rev. Mr. Bonny and I passed the execution ground, a narrow lane, 100 feet long, occupied on one side with pottery shops...

But this afternoon we happened to pass by there not long after 5 o'clock, the execution hour, before the headless bodies were removed from the ground, or the heads thrown into the hoop.

Mr. Bonny could understand the talk of the bystanders, and it revealed indignation feeling at this slaughter, for the victims are often poor and innocent, seized while at their lawful avocations.

The American Consul, Mr. Spooner, yesterday the American consul, Mr. Spooner, wishing to ascertain the true state of matters at Fungshan, a town upon the river, fifteen miles south-west from here, of 600,000 inhabitants, the possession of which is disputed with the rebels...

Mr. Bonny told us the boat proceeded unmolested and passed at 10 o'clock by the imperialists transport boat, and a little above through the fleet of twenty-seven imperialist junk, containing the heavy guns and the soldiers returning from a morning fight with the rebels at Fungshan.

One of the rebels, several rods in advance of the rest, stopped, and resting on the muzzle of an embark on the bank, he fired a shot which aimed deliberately at the stern of the gun, where sat Mr. Bonny, Mr. Spooner, and Capt. Rogers.

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In Sebastopol Navy to Take!

From the New York Courier and Evening Post. As many think that the capture of the Forts of Sebastopol by the allied forces is a very easy matter, it may be not uninteresting to show how long places much weaker than this represented by the sea, have held out against superior numbers.

Genoa in 1800 sustained a blockade of sixty and a siege of forty days. Saragossa in 1808 sustained a close siege of nearly two months. Genoa in 1809 sustained a siege and blockade of seven months, four of them being of open trench.

St. Sebastian in 1813, four months. Mionon in 1813, four months. With these examples before us, it is unnecessary to suppose that Sebastopol, a fortress which is believed to be constructed with all the modern improvements, will yield in much shorter time than the above, unless the means of attack are far superior to what we have reason to suppose to be.

The Saut Canal. The magnificent canal work, containing within its limits the largest locks in the world, will be fully completed by the fifth day of November.

The completion of the Canal will create a new era in the business of Lake Superior, by diminishing by three-fifths the cost of every pound of freight transported hither and thither by land and water.

The work is done, and will, doubtless, be an honor to the human spirit, which gave it birth, and not less to the world, which has so long and so often suffered from its want.

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FRIDAY, NOV. 11, 1854.

IN consequence of our inability to obtain a sufficient supply of paper for this week's issue in time, the Observer is several hours behind its usual publication.

The New York Election.

The New York election is over, and there are two or three results in it that are truly gratifying. First, SYMONDS, the regular Democratic candidate, and the present Executive, is elected Governor.

Our own party has also been most signally rebuked, while the fanaticism of our opponents upon the Slavery and the Naturalization questions has served to divide them in twain so that it will take all the adhesive plaster in Christendom to bind them together again.

The field is broad, ample, and the grain is ripe for the sickle. Now, why do we say this? Simply because it is a notorious fact, that this year, more than ever before, the pulpit of this nation has been prostituted to political harangues and insane denunciations of those who differ with the occupants thereof upon some of the political and moral questions of the day.

The question whether our congregations are to be instructed by their pastors in politics, or in the gospel, is one which, we should judge, will soon have to be considered. A layman of New England—a gentleman and a Christian of the highest standing—whose home is in a different section of the country, but who has recently been on a visit to his native city, did not know that it would be well to send some "gospel preachers to New England."

Michigan, Illinois, and Wisconsin. The indications are that all these States have gone "fusion."

We beg to assure our friends of the Business Telegraph that we are not a very old man, neither are we a very young one, on the contrary, we have arrived at the precise period of life when we can see as far into a political millennium as our neighbors, and hence we cannot admit that opposition to the Nebraska bill was the cause of Pollock's success.

The Know Nothings of Brookville, Ind. have held a meeting, in which they nominated J. Scott Harrison, of Ohio, for the next President, and ex-Governor Wm. P. Johnson, of Pennsylvania, for Vice-President.

Now, we enter our protest against this nomination in the most positive manner. We know we are not a "Know Nothing," and have little to say in the matter, still it interferes with our arrangements, and we protest. Our neighbor of the Gazette, and some others of the same genus, have been leading us to believe that POLLOCK—the "great and glorious Pollock"—is to be the candidate of our opponents; and hence, relying upon that state of affairs, we have been making all the necessary arrangements to bring out MOTT in best form.

We are glad to record the election of our friend, S. S. WALLON, Esq., of Mayville, New York, to the Legislature. Mr. W. is a Democrat "good and true," and is elected by a large majority in a whig district over one of Seward's "minute men."

The following narrative is truly horrible, if true: About ten days ago, a woman, aged about eighty years, (time not given,) died in the neighborhood of the Water Works, Lebanon county, who, a short time before her death, confessed that many years since she poisoned a man named Deits, of North Ansville township, with whom she lived as housekeeper, and also murdered three of her own children.

A week since the Gazette retailed, second hand, a foolish story that the morning after Gov. Biglers was re-elected at Washington, where he was on a visit, he obtained an interview with the President, wherein he made application for the mission to England, to become vacant, as the world knows, not long hence by the intended resignation of Mr. Buchanan.

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