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...ipates the twenty-fifth volume ... publication by its pre... a quarter of a century, then, the ... the "permanent Institutions" of ... that time "those of our ... Bah, in announcing this fact, ... in a practical review of the ma... or else in that time, neither have ... to offer about the "flight of time." ... What we have to say savors ... of life, and as every thing of ... said into as few words as possi... the necessities of the case will ...

... to change our system of doing ... we have sent our paper whenever ... to back, if the person's honesty for ... longer. We can buy nothing we eat, ... more in front cash down, and ... enter into up in our Books ... We must rather have two ... pay their subscrip... pay when they get ready — ... twelve years experience ...

... in our Books, we shall ... the bills of those indebted... and they are not responded ... to in a short time, their accounts will ... for collection and ... Would this for the reasons set ... we have got tired of doing busi... All here we will just say, ... good responsible men, in ... part, for as a thousand acres ... the money comfortably upon ... the many who owe us this ... we have of the debt was ... No, indeed it would be no ... allow to be "coming counte... times every day, until ... for the grave is sauce for ... for us—EVERY MAN WHO ... ADVERTISING OR JOB WORK ... PAY IT THEY WILL, FORCIBLY,

NEWS. The papers all over the ... of the United States to in... direct the demand of the ... agricultural produce. Wheat, oats, ... and, every article of farm ... the prospect for enterprise in ... than in commerce, gold ... There is little doubt, we be... paid for in full out of last ... ople of business men would ... Nevada was then, as a business, ... 1000 acres of land, hire the ... and sow it in wheat, and pay ... the proceeds in first crop. And, ... some thing might be done ... farmers, and others who are ... When there is an abundant ... all branches of business do ... every thing goes off well — ... is a return of abundant en... nature. It is to be h... from the greatest benefit ... the very time when, owing ... interests, commerce, rail... must stand or can be had at easy ... We will therefore, respectfully call ... duty for their own benefit and ... the human race. Let "Speed the ... general motto.

Hon. JAMES THOMPSON, the only ... the Legislature, and by far the ... returned to his Business Monday. ... with the spontaneous well ... We take a good deal of credit to ... for the fact that, and hence we ... to have been active in connection with ... prosperous citizens in the county. ... the hope to take a measure which ... brought with more substantial ... to the State than any other measure ... The duties we anticipate that it was ... election. May he be as true a pro... representative.

EXTRA. The Buffalo *Express* says that ... Engineer who was appoint... to survey Four Lakes, with a view to pro... for the improvement of navigation, has ... return to Buffalo. He found ... feet deep in some shoaled and two ... made for $16,000, and with a saving ... He also ascertained that the ... recommended for a canal ... locations will answer ... have examined. We congratulate those inter... the consummation of the ...

EXTRA. ... from the Westfield ... Bank of the Westfield ... was on Monday sold ... at with its appen... originally cost, ... down to Water ... to good ...

EXTRA. ... Van Buren Water P... ... the other ... much of a ma... to us to com... and until complain ... before the pub... such labor as ... themselves by calling at ...

... "Americanism," does ... the writer neglected ... people, now wish to write ... Editors. ... furnished.

THIEVES. Among the ... the public, some ... the police ... ... apprehended ... ... Butler, of Ky., declines the Demo... Congress, and denounces as a slan... has any sympathy with the Know ...

... speaks of the United States as ... of the world." Quite encouraging. ...

... been produced at the National ... the "Nunnery Investigation, or ... Committee on a Lark." It is said to abound ...

PHILADELPHIA.

Correspondence of the Erie Observer

PHILADELPHIA, May 7, 1855.

The new elected City Councils have been duly organised, and "Sam" appears to have more strength in them than was generally supposed. In the select branch, his nominee received fourteen out of the twenty four votes cast, and in the lower branch a majority of some six or eight votes. As our Councilmen are the dispensers of $6,000,000 or $7,000,000 annually, the post is one of considerable importance, and although no pay is attached to it, but a few of them seem to thrive amazingly by the occupation, and whether guilty of peculation or not, they are generally supposed to be.

The disordered state of our finances and the general alarm felt in consequence of it, having attracted the serious attention of our citizens of all parties, a better set of men were nominated at the recent election, and it is hoped a more economical spirit will be infused into their transactions.

A German shoemaker while afflicted with the loathsome disease of small pox, and in a state of delirium, committed suicide by hanging himself with a handkerchief to a bed-post the other day. His physician was just about making arrangements to have him conveyed to the Hospital.

Adam Shank, who suddenly disappeared from the city about seventeen months since and had not since been heard of, and whose wife was arrested a week or two ago on suspicion of having murdered him, in consequence of the discovery of some bones in the neighborhood in which he had formerly resided, has returned to his old locality, partly to dispel the mystery which had attached to his fate.

Fortunately the proceedings against his wife had been dropped by the discovery that the disinterred bones had belonged to a subject dissected by a physician—but as the case was originally reported, it formed one of the most complete chains of circumstantial evidence that could well be conceived, but it turns out that the greatest crime his wife had committed after all was that of a man having been seen "a huggin' and a kissin' of her," as one of the gossiping female witnesses described it.

Our ladies just now are all busily intent with the bi-monthly momentous task of completing their spring suits by ... ing a suitable mantilla. There seems to be such a charm about the name, and every fair one is fearful that she cannot have a *man*, she will have a *mantilla* this and how the price, the style, the places of buying the varieties of these articles form the great staple of their conversation just now, and for the time being I very believe they hold a higher place in their affections, than in a great many instances reveal.

Our City looks very beautiful just now, and is improving very rapidly in every direction. Nearly all the new buildings erected are very fine ones, and fashionable residences at cheap rents are growing plentiful upon the outskirts.

The trial of James G. Barnaud, in the U. S. Court, on a charge of having been concerned in the ... trade is progressing. It appears from the evidence that the American ship Gray Eagle was fitted out for that purpose in New York, and that the defendant was employed as first commander, until her arrival at the African coast, on the reception of a large cargo of negroes, when the command was taken by a Spaniard, and the former acted as physician. The crew were not informed of the nature of the voyage until after they had been some time on the ... days out at sea, when carpenters commenced making lower decks to hold their human freight.

On the arrival at the African coast a ... board, went among the people and in a very short time made arrangements for a large ... cargo, consisting men, women and children, who were packed as closely as possible for them to be. At one time a British cruiser hove in sight, but they ... the American flag and thus eluded a visit from it. On their journey to the Island of Cuban, sixteen of their victims died and were thrown overboard.

A Cuban planter, named Don Louis, was prepared to receive them, and although the Cuban power made some show of opposition to the debarkation of their cargo, they were easily bribed to remain silent. The crew were then paid off and the vessel burnt, and the parties concerned were, no doubt, revelling in the ill-gotten gains of the expedition, with scarce a fear of future detection or punishment.

One of the crew, however, gave an account of the whole transaction to the American Consul at Havana, and our vigilant U. S. District Attorney, J. C. Vandyke, Esq., who has ... in the management of the case under his ... industry and talent, somehow or other got wind that the defendant was finally discovered and arrested. He was ... by enjoying himself in one of our Philadelphia ... The punishment of the crime is death, or ... rather a singular circumstance that no conviction has ever taken place under our laws.

The official returns of our city election, the first ... show the election of Morton, the American ... City Treasurer, over Hagert, ... majority of 422, and of Hill American ... Commissioner, over Sherry, Democrat and ... majority of 197. This is very ... 4,000 votes. Both parties of the ... nearly equally balanced between the ... and Democrats and Fusion Whigs on the other.

The election passed off ... remarkably orderly, a result principally attributable ... mode of voting in small divisions, each ward containing ... to seven or eight of them, and it being ... of any considerable number of persons ... at and any one poll. A few trifling ... instance a man named M'Donough, was stationed by a policeman, and the wound was at first supposed to be a fatal one, but he is now fortunately recovering from its effects.

The steamship Atlantic has arrived at New York with nine days later News from Europe. The Vienna Conference had broken up, in consequence of the refusal of Russia to accede to the demands of the Allies, and Austria refuses for the present, to take up arms against the Czar. Meantime it is asserted that England has consented that Louis Napoleon should take command of the allied army in the East, although this intelligence is considered doubtful.

The bombardment of Sevastopol had commenced with 300 guns on the 9th ult. and continued incessantly up to 12th. Although the fire had been briskly returned, the Allies consider that they have gained a great advantage, and they intend to storm it if possible. Louis Napoleon and the Empress Eugenie had spent a week in England, and been very magnificently entertained.

The Rothschilds had taken the new British loan of £16,000,000, and the English taxes are to be raised on incomes, spirits, tea, coffee and sugar. The Russian's have concentrated 120,000 men in their Baltic provinces, and are using great exertions to strengthen their fortresses in that quarter. It is stated that seven Russian Admirals in the Black Sea have been killed since the siege of Sevastopol commenced. In England the price of cotton remains steady, but flour and wheat have slightly declined.

Our markets have not recently undergone any important changes. Beef cattle sell at the extraordinary rate of from $10 to 12½. Flour commands $10.50 to $11 per barrel. Rye Flour, $7.25. Corn Meal, $4.75. Wheat sells from $2.50 to $2.65. Rye $1.40. Corn 102a106c. Oats, 64a75c.

PHILADELPHIA

☞ The Painsville *Telegraph* says that two thousand cows died of starvation the past winter in Trumbull county. In other counties feed has been equally scarce, and a proportionate loss suffered.

— One of our exchanges notices, as an evidence of better times, that the newspapers begin to exhibit an unusual numbers of marriage notices. That may be an evidence of "better times" with the parties, but really we can't see how it is going to make flour and potatos cheaper a year from now!

NATURE AND HUMAN NATURE, by the author of Sam Slick, the Clockmaker. New York Stringer and Townsend.

We have not much relish for books in the vein of this, however, many like and laugh over them, and are benefitted by the latter operation. "Nature and Human Nature" is equal to any of the author's efforts in the same line of writing, and will meet with a large sale, as all books of that kind invariably do. For sale at Gunnisons.

RELIGIOUS NOTICE.—There will be Service and Preaching in the Episcopal Church morning and afternoon to morrow. Rev. Dr. J. W. McCullough is expected to officiate.

A GOOD PROSPECT AHEAD.—California is destined to become notorious for its large yields—not alone of gold, however. The *Sonora California Bulletin* says that they have got "one of the California mothers" in that place. A lady who has been a resident some years had four children in one year, and twins the next, or six children within the space of two years. She is now the mother of fourteen children, and is still in the prime of life. There's a good prospect ahead for her "happy lord," truly!

SNOW STORM.—Never within the recollection of the "oldest inhabitant," has the Lake country been visited by such a storm as the one which came upon us on Monday evening, and continued throughout Tuesday. The snow came down in clouds at first, but melted nearly as fast as it came, and then it turned into rain, and a small deluge was the result. We think, however, there was no harm done to the fruit, and the weather hereafter will be all the better for the "spree."

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Gotham is a type of the world. The world is troubled. So is Gotham. The oriental horizon wears dark clouds afoul the rising sun. Europe fears the coming storm — the thunder rolls in the distance. Men arm in fear, and look forward to a tempest which shall change the nations. The Western world begins to hear the rustling blast, and it will sooner or later reach us. The year just commenced, will be a year of doubt, difficulty, danger and convulsion.

Here in Gotham, we have signs and wonders. In the Church of the Puritans the fashion is now to sing the *Ave Maria* and the *Ave Maris Stella*. The Immaculate Virgin has made her appearance even in the shrine of the Puritanical fathers. The exclusives of the Fifth Avenue now flock to the Roman churches to hear the delicious music of the *Inflammatus*. Immaculate girls are seduced by the pomp and the music of the Romish ritual, and incipient nuns now in their train. Thence there is an easy descent to belief in winking virgins and immaculate conceptions. Can these things be?

Even on the surface there are throes of convulsion. The mysterious order of Sam is troubled. The professions of both parties have lately joined in large numbers and have made a clutch to take possession of *Sam*. The old Silver Greys and Hard Shells have united and are determined to get possession of the Avenues to the White House. The older members, who wish to be distinguished as ... and nothing else, are to be crowded down. Conspicuous among these fogies of the old parties is a veteran gentleman well known by his long connection with the whig party, but who, after long and perseverering efforts, failed to obtain either honor or profit in it, rather. He, with others, has lately published a Know Nothing platform and connected it with his name over the Union. He comes to us the dealer of the New York Know Nothings. The Simon Pure Americans reject his efforts and those of his old time associates. Hence here is war above calumny and vituperation. The whigs seek to force the Know Nothing question upon the next election. The genuines resist, and insist upon the *true* old ground.

When this triumph, the masses or the "*Still Standing Constitutional Democracy of the Fifteenth Ward!*" The "*Twelfth Ward Democracy*" has declared its policy to be, "*The Fourth Council*" has declared its policy to be, "*The Fourth Council*" has declared its policy to be, "*The Fourth Council