on the value of a single half! Sat down,and tried to moralize upon the follies of mankind; it would'nt do; could'nt arrange my ideas. Amused myself for some time, by counting a group of players on the opposite side of the room. With the aid of both eyes, I counted ten; with one only, I could only make out five. Quite a rational and interesting amusement. Fell asleep at length, however,and was woke up by the proprietor of the house, after some hours repose. Felt somewhat refreshed and made out to go home. Feel very thirsty this morning. Have been under the necessity of taking some stimulous before breakfast. This is a very bad habit. It soon bloats a man: never known it to fail. Liquor formerly sickened my stomach; it don't have that effect any more a bad omen. The poison has taken root. Have important business to attend to to-day, and feel ashamed to look any decent man in the face. Must reform, that's certain.[*St. Louis Bulletin.*

GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE, IN RELATION TO THE PERMANENT LOAN, &c.

*To the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.*

GENTLEMEN:—In pursuance of the act of the general assembly of this commonwealth passed the 26th January last, entitled "an act authorizing a loan" public notice was given by the Secretary of the commonwealth on the 6th day of February last, that proposals would be received at his office until two o'clock P.M., of Tuesday the fifth day of March 1839, for loaning one million two hundred thousand dollars to the commonwealth for the purposes set forth in said act, reimbursable at any time after twenty years from the first day of July next, and bearing interest not exceeding five per cent per annum, payable semi-annually. A copy of which notice is herewith communicated.

I regret to say that no proposals have been received in pursuance of this invitation, and this too at a time when, it is conceded that money is not scarce, and the credit of the State is unimpaired.

How long the representatives of a free people will submit to a state of things manifestly brought about by a combination among the institutions of their own creation, it is for the legislature to determine, but there is certainly a manifest impropriety of permitting the monied resource of the commonwealth to be used to her own injury. She owns of the capital stock of the bank of Pennsylvania 3750 shares at $400, amount at their par value to $1,5000,000

6238 shares in the Philadelphia Bank at $100 523,400

1708 shares in the Farmers and Mechanics bank at $50 85,400

Amounting in the whole to $2,108,700

And which are believed to be worth a considerable advance. Every day's experience strengthens me in the opinion long since formed that all connections should be dissolved between the commonwealth and the banks in which she holds stock, and thus relieve her from the humiliating attitudes she occupies of being the holder of three fifths of the whole capital stock in one of said banks and unable to control the direction of a single dollar of its loans. Being firmly that such a divorce will be beneficial to the interests of the commonwealth, I earnestly recommend the immediate passage of a law authorizing the sale of the bank stock held by the commonwealth as aforesaid.

This administration has been but little over a month in power, and has been obliged to ask loans to pay off engagements which it had no hands in contracting, and finds itself embarrassed in its out set for want of means to meet the engagements of the commonwealth. So far as it has the ability,its exertions will continue to be steadily directed to discharge the public liabilities, and maintain unsullied the public faith. In its effort so to do, difficulties are interposed by attempts at combination among monied men and monied institutions, they most assuredly will discover, that so long as the executive power remains in the hands in which it is now placed, they shall never control either the political or fiscal operations; but that this great commonwealth must, and will rise superior to all such attempts.

All experience goes to show that the evils anticipated by many of the best and most sagacious statesmen, from the grants of corporate powers to monied institutions have been more than realized, and should admonish us to be cautious in continuing to make such unrestricted grants.

With no desire to create distrust or alarm, I cannot but feel that it is the misuse and abuse of the powers thus committed to such institutions that have more than once led to the embarrassments in the monetary concerns of the country. I cannot close this communication without appealing to the legislature, and calling upon them by every principle of patriotism, to take such action in this matter as will enable the state to vindicate her character and credit, and to take immediate measures for separating the state from all connection with a set of institutions that have so repeatedly disappointed the just expectations of the public, and on which no reliance can be placed when the exigencies of the State may require a call upon them.

DAVID R. PORTER.

Executive Chamber, March 7, 1839.

WHOLESALE PROSCRIPTION!—The following precious was adopted by the Canal Commissioners on the 21st instant:

"*Resolved*, That the services of the principal engineers, now in the employ of the State, having the charge of the Gettysburg railroad; the Columbia railroad and the Portage road; the Delaware division, the Eastern division, the Wisconisco canal, the Juniata division, and the Western division of the canals, together with the several assistants, be dispensed with from and after the 23d instant."

Two of the principal engineers included in the above mandate are JOHN P. BALDY and HALLE WILSON, Esqrs., as able and faithful public servants as any in the State, as well as experienced Engineers. What was their fault? Nothing more than they prided to enjoy the right of voting for whom they pleased; and in doing so, did not bow the knee to the present imbecile apology for a Governor! They are also *honest* men and *gentlemen*; and, of course, unfit to hold office under the present *dishonest* and *ittle begotten* administration! Proscription at such hands is an honor, and not a disgrace — *Lancaster Examiner.*

THE MIDDLE TEAR!—A week or two since we announced the appointment of a couple of gentlemen to suck the *first* and *third* teats on the Philadelphia and Columbia Rail Road. We have now the pleasure of stating that JAMES COLLINS, of Philadelphia county, has been lucky enough to draw the middle teat (as we call it). Liquor formerly sickened my stomach; it don't have that effect any more a bad omen. The poison has taken root. Have important business to attend to to-day, and feel ashamed to look any decent man in the face. Must reform, that's certain.[*St. Louis Bulletin.*

## General Intelligence.

A servant girl left her situation in New-York, last week, because her mistress spoke such wretched bad grammar!

The hotels in Jacksonville, Mississippi, are so crowded, that legs and arms are reen sticking from the wind-ws up to the sixth story; and what is not surprising, also that authorities send carts regularly round every morning, to gather up such as wear off and fall down during the night!

The tory papers in Montreal, say that the down easters—meaning the Maine Yankees—are absolutely usur: We admit they are as "usual as blazes," and also that they show a deal of "method in their madness!"

The Rev. H. B. Bascomb was married to Miss Van Antwerp, of New-York, on Thursday last: This eloquent pulpit orator, has made one convert, at any rate, which is more than every orator can boast of.

Blood has already been shed in Maine: A fellow whose patriotism began to ooze out at his finger' ends, charged another at the Bangor House, last week, with cowardice; whereupon, the other to prove that he was a liar, as well as to test his courage, dealt him a singer over the nose. The wounded man, clapped both hands on his "handle," and exclaiming, "Law-a-nacy, I'm hit!" deliberately leant against a corner of the house, and there, to the eternal disgrace of the Christian world, the purple stream of life resistlessly flowed—and where it continues to flow, for all that we know to the contrary, at this very moment!

The people of Maine, have all at once become afflicted with most unaccountable diseases: A certain, sot, God forbid! by name, the army, attempted to excise himself on the ground of shortsightedness; a doctor was sent for to examine into the c-a-u-s-e. "Doctor," said the invalid, "do you see that are cow thar?—blast me if I can tell whether it is a cow or a dog!" He was excused on the spot!

SOCIETY AT MONTREAL.—The Montreal Courier gives the following list of arrests by the Police between the 1st and 28th of February, 1839: For drunkenness 19, for vagrancy 10, assault and battery 30, larceny 26, suspicion of larceny 10, disturbing the peace 20, keeping disorderly houses 4, loitering in the streets 19, deserters 3, selling unstamped papers 3, arrested under a bench warrant 52, high treason 2, forgery 4, loose, idle and disorderly 21,—total, 491.

WILLIAM TELL OUTDONE.—We learn from a paper published in Northern Pennsylvania, that some time since, a feat was performed in Bridgeburg, Bradford county, which throws that of William Tell in the shade. A man named Lathrop Baldwin, with a rifle, shot an apple from the head of Thomas Fox, at eighteen yards distance, arms length. There was no cap on Fox's head, his hair was combed down smooth, and the apple was a small one. Both were somewhat in their cups.

FROM FLORIDA.—An officer of the army who reached Savannah on the 5th instant, informs the editor of the Georgian that Lieut. Makall, of the 1st Artillery, was shot at a few days before, by Indians while on Biscayen Beach, and received two balls through the body. The wounds are deemed mortal. He was in company with Capt. Trathen of the steamer Poinsett, and his men were about 200 yards distant at the time. The savages fired from a thicket and escaped.

We regret to state also that Major Noel of the 6th Infantry, shot himself accidentally with his own pistol a few days since while on a scouting party against Indians, a few of whom were taken prisoners. Major N. has his pistol cocked, and going off unexpectedly, it inflicted on him a dangerous wound.—*Bt. Transcript.*

THE SUN OF SOLO.—We have heard it remarked by some of our ingenious contemporaries that the sun of a mean man, if placed in a nutshell, would have as much room as a jolly boat in the middle of the Atlantic; and again, that it would slide off a needle's point, &c. Our experience allows us to go a "leetle" farther. We once knew a man who had a soul so small that, placed upon the point of a needle, it would require a compass to find its way off.[*Ibid.*

STRANGE SUICIDE.—Thomas J. Carmichael, of the firm of Carmichael & Jewett, card manufacturers, Cincinnati, was found dead at his desk on the 1st inst. with a tumbler containing a mixture of laudanum and essence lemon.

A balance sheet of his affairs, apparently drawn up with much care, showing a balance of $2,129 in his favor, with this will was also found before him with a note stating that a copy of the same had been sent to a solicitor in Framingham, Mass. No document was found nor reason guessed which might show any indictment to the dreadful act.

A legacy of $50, was respectfully marked in the will for a young lady to whom the deceased had been paying his addresses.[*Ib*

ACCIDENT.—A boat and cart of Mr. Scales, baker, having been left alone on Light st. wharf on Saturday the horse took it into his head to walk off, and in doing so, walked into the dock and was drowned.—About a dozen loafers were after wards seen fishing out the cart-load of pies and cakes which were thus tumbled into the water.[*Ib*

ZEAL.—The "Jumping Ranters," a new sect of religious enthusiasts are going the whole figure in Halifax, N. S. They lately danced the floor from beneath them and were "somewhat considerably confused" by the effects of their zeal.

JURISDICTION OF THE ARCOOSTOOK.—In the very first year after the separation of Maine from Massachusetts, the Land Agent of Maine, under the direction of Gov. King, then Governor, went on Aroostook and drove off the British trespassers, with whom he settled, they giving their notes to him for timber cut by them. These notes were afterwards collected by suits brought in the Courts of the Province of New Brunswick. No question was at that time raised about the jurisdiction of the State of Maine.—*Kennebec Journal.*

Snow fell in Wilmington, N. C. on Monday, the 4th inst., to the depth of six inches. The editor of the Advertiser says he amused himself with drinking egg nogg, hunting a fox and *snow balling the ladies.* Pretty sport for an editor.

KNOXVILLE, (TENN.) Feb. 27.

Mr. David Hume, of Blount county, was shot through the head about eight o'clock on Saturday night last, while sitting by his fire side, and died in about two hours. He was engaged at the time in playing at draughts with a neighbor, resting his head on his hand; the balls, for there were two in the gun, entered through the window, penetrated his hand, and into his skull. Mr. Hume had lately returned from Scotland, his native country, whither he had gone for the benefit of his health, but to no success. No discoveries have been made as to the perpetrator of this diabolical act. Mr. Hume was an intelligent and enterprising citizen, and has left an amiable and affectionate family to lament his sudden and afflictive death.—*Reg.*

THE SPIRIT OF MASSACHUSETTS.—The excitement in Maine appears to be fully participated in by the people of Massachusetts. The Boston Atlas is quite eloquent in the copy of the course of Mr. Webster,and remarks,—

"We rejoice to find the voice of Daniel Webster echoed in this manly and noble spirit. We rejoice too that he enters so fully into the feelings of the people of Maine,and that much as he deprecates a hostile collision, he is equally anxious that Maine shall not be "MORTIFIED, HUMILIATED and DISGRACED," in the attempt she has made to maintain what all parties admit to be her unquestionable right. Let every press in the State of Maine adopt his patriotic declaration as its motto—"Give the British Government to the 4th of July next, to say whether it will abandon its unfounded pretensions to the disputed territory." It is time that glorious day, the true boundary of the United States, as we understand it, is not acknowledged, runs let the United States run the line on its own responsibility ; and support it by the whole physical power of the union."

MAJOR GENERAL PATTERSON'S DIVISION of Pennsylvania Volunteers have offered their services to the President, under the provisions of the law War act. Behold the "Old Keystone!" In two wars her sons have been among the foremost. This promptitude now shows that in a third contest they would stand, where they always have stood! in the front ranks of the battlefield! Maine,—"land of the forest and the rock,"—Pennsylvania sends to thee greeting;—Ask nothing but what is right—submit to nothing wrong;" exclusive jurisdiction over our own soil, as defined by the Treaty of 1783, or—*war!* That is probably to be the issue.—*Ledger.*

The course of the General Government towards Maine is anything but acceptable to the people of that State. The following paragraph will show the feeling which exists among the conductors of the press:—

From the Bangor Whig.

THE MESSAGE.

We cannot but regard the message of Mr. Van Buren, as a most extraordinary document. We hoped at this important crisis, the head of the administration would have assumed a higher tone—an independent and unqualified stand, which the circumstances and exigencies of the case required. We had hoped—nay, expected that the position which Maine had assumed would have been nobly upheld and supported at all hazards, by the President. We were not prepared for this requirement to be withdrawal of our troops from our rightful territory at this time, and for reasons set forth in the message.

The defalcations of Mr. Swartwout amount to the enormous sum of *one million two hundred and twenty five thousand seven hundred and five dollars and sixty-nine cents!*

The British Whig states that a military court of inquiry is now sitting for the purpose of investigating Colonel Prince's conduct respecting the execution of the prisoners taken at Windsor, Upper Canada.

## The Iron Gray.

The gentleman of whom the following "good 'uns" are told will easily be recognized under the beautiful cognomen of "Iron Gray" by most of our readers.

It is said that the "Iron Gray" who has been appointed *State Agent* on the Columbia railroad, was so ignorant of his duties when appointed, that he applied to a *car agent* of one of our transportation lines to define them, who told him he must "get up early, make fire in the stoves, sweep out the *cars*, and dust the cushions.' For a morning or two the "Gray" was stirring by early down, carrying up coal, sweeping and poking the cushions quite lustily. Some of his party however undeceived him.

In addition to the above, the following anecdote has just been related to us by one of the late agents on the road:—A few days after the appointment of the "Gray" the train in coming into Columbia run off the proper track. He immediately hustled for it and inquired the cause, and was informed that it had been occasioned by the *c-r-o-g.* "Why" says the 'Gray' "ain't this very early for frogs to be out?"—*Pa. Int.*

## Intelligence from Maine.

Gen. Scott arrived at Augusta, Maine,on the 6th inst. and will no doubt render important services to the country, by exerting his influence to promote an honorable and satisfactory adjustment of the difficulty in question.

The city of Bangor on the 5th presented quite a warlike appearance, the several companies of the second Division, having been drilled all day and marched through the streets of the city,their appearance was very creditable, going through the several manœuvres with all the regularity and facility of veterans in the service. The soldiers were all in fine spirits, they only fear they shall have no opportunity to fight the Blue noses. The regiment paraded in Houlton yesterday for the first time, and marched through the village, being about 800 strong, excepting the companies which have left for the Aroostook. About one half of the Detachment are armed with rifles, and made an imposing appearance the columns extending a long mile in length.

There was an alarm given yesterday at Woodstock,(another town in Maliseet township,) that the Provincials were about to make a sally to carry off the Artillery from the Garrison: The Bangor and Dexter companies were paraded in front of the Colonels Quarters, and ordered to load with ball, and with the General at their head paraded to the line about a mile distant from the place, but no enemy was found, save much to the dissatisfaction of the soldiers.

On March 6th, the 11th Regiment of British Regulars had arrived at Madawaska from Canada, and the head quarters of Tobiquin had promptly moved up to join them. The British forces are concentrating at Madawa-ka and on the Aroostook. There was an alarm at Woodstock night before last that our force would attack and burn the town that night. Their whole population were turned out, Regulars, Militiamen and boys, were on duty and under arms all night. Not a word of alarm has been received from Governor Fairfield or the Legislature in regard to the President's Message.

On the 6th at Augusta the troops were continuing to pour in,and gave that city a highly animated if not a warlike appearance. The 1st and 5th Division's amounting to about 1,000 men were there. They are described as in the finest spirits and ready for any of the arduous duties to which they may be subjected. The Governor would review them on the 8th immediately after which they were to march to the Eastern Frontier. Gen. Scott called on the Governor and Council this morning at the council Chamber. This afternoon he visited the State House, and was introduced to many of the citizen Officers and Soldiers now here to the representative Hall. He was addressed by Jos. Hall, Esq. of Bangor who welcomed him to the city in a few appropriate remarks, to which Gen. Scott made a very neat, happy and felicitous reply. He spoke of the soulders of Maine who served under him in the last war as worthy of high praise. His remarks were received with great enthusiasm. The Augusta correspondent of the Boston Advertiser says of Gen. Scott "he deservedly a great favorite with the people of the United States, and should our present difficulties unfortunately produce a war, we should consider it highly fortunate that we have an officer of his well established bravery, prudence and skill, and one who has had the advantage of so much experience as to take command of our forces.

Intelligence has been received of the spirit that animated the Mohawks when they heard of the prospect of a collision with the neighboring States. One thousand of them it is said have volunteered their services to come to the Aroostook. We sincerely hope their services will not be accepted. The deadly animosity which the Red men of the Forest entertain towards the Americans generally would render them a most destructive enemy. In the Senate on the 7th, Mr. Morrill, of Penobscot, introduced the following order which was adopted. Ordered that the committee on the N. E. Boundary be instructed to inquire into and ascertain as far as practicable, what amount of timber has been cut and destroyed on the disputed territory by trespassers, since the submission of the question to arbitration under the treaty of Ghent, and how far said depredations have been countenanced and encouraged, or restrained by the authorities of New Brunswick and Lower Canada, and report the same.

The British troops assembled at the great falls amounts to 3000 men, nearly all Regulars; they are in excellent spirits and ready for the word.

News from New Brunswick and Nova Scotia, up to March 2d, announce the arrival at St. John' N. B. of about 200 of the 69th regiment from Halifax, and that they were to proceed immediately to Fredericktown. Another detachment of that regiment had sailed from Halifax. About 5 of the 800 Militia drafted in the Province of New Brunswick are already embodied. The House of Assembly thereupon immediately voted $10,000 and the corporation of St. John £1,000 for their sustainance. Late accounts says that the President of the United States has been burnt in effigy in one of the Towns in Maine.

## From the East.

Letters from Bangor to the 9th instant, state that by an express just arrived from Houlton, information had been received that Gov. Harvey was making preparations to take possession of Mars Hill, and had sent forward arms to cut out a road to that place. Eight companies had been detached on this service, two of which had already marched from Fredericton. It is further stated that the proposed lodgement is to be made on territory that is indisputably our own. Verbal advices of a contradictory tenor are brought by passengers from the East. It is hardly improbable that the report is true to its full extent. Sir John Harvey will be likely to govern himself by a more discreet regard to the agreement of Mr. Fox and Forsyth, that Gov. Fairfield seems disposed to exhibit.

We have intelligence from Augusta to Sunday last. The correspondent of the Boston Atlas states that a message to the Legislature would probably be communicated by the Govern or the following day. Gen. Scott was to leave on Tuesday for Houlton. He expected to have a personal interview with Sir John Harvey. He had much and free intercourse with the citizens of Augusta,and the universal confidence was expressed in him that naturally attaches to energy and spirit of character, when united with the good sense and discretion which so eminently distinguish the gallant soldier. Mr. Botsford, a member of the Executive Council of New Brunswick, passed through Augusta on the 9th, with despatches from Washington to Sir John Harvey. He spoke in a desponding tone as to the peaceful termination of the difficulties between the two countries.

With regard to the monied occupation of Mars Hill, there was thought to be some foundation for the story, as it is stated,beside the verbal communication of the Express, in a letter from the Secretary of Gen. Hedden. A letter from Houlton of the 7th, states that four companies of Gen. Hudson's detachment were to march that day, and the remaining five companies on the following day. Their destination was the mouth of the Presque Isle, a stream that flows into the Aroostook on Letter G, about ten miles higher up than the lowest settlement on that river. The seven companies had already reached there, and huts for the accomodation of the troops had been erected at that point, beyond which they will not proceed for the present. The forces had been detained longer at Houlton than was expected, in consequence of the difficulties and delay necessarily attendant upon procuring clothing and other munitions of war.

The following is from an extra of the Bangor Farmer, dated Saturday evening 7 o'clock.

*From the Camp.*—A gentleman who left the camp on Tuesday reports that all was quiet and the men in good spirits—that two companies had arrived with a substantial log building, erected which would withstand any attack of the enemy—that Fitzherbert's house has been razed to the ground, as it was in their way—that they anticipated an attack, not from the regulars, but from a Mon—that he did not hear any thing about fortifying Mars' Hill—the enemy, amounted to 400 or 500, were within five miles of the camp—that the day before he left, they destroyed four or five camps, and took 20 tons hay, 100 bushels oats, 20 barrels of Pork, and many other articles which were taken from the enemy's camps.

The bill containing a section to raise the pay of the members, was considered on second reading, and the section referred to was stricken out, 74 to 14. The fear of the people in this case operated most powerfully for there is not a member who does not acknowledge that the pay is inadequate for having the pay. The members cannot meet their bills, by their daily pay, and thus it is a great sacrifice for many of them to be here. The bill to provide for taking a vote of the people on the question of granting tavern licenses, passed committee of the whole and was taken up on second reading. Mr. M'Elwee contended that such a bill was an interference with individual rights. Mr. Purviance spoke at great length,and with great eloquence in favor of the bill.

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From the Baltimore Transcript.

## Maine Battle Song.

Come, sogers ! take your muskets up,
And grasp your fistful rifles;
We're gowin to lick the red-coat men,
Who call us yankees, "stiffies."
Bring out the big gun mouths of brass,
Which forges thunder;
Bring out the flag of Bennington,
And strike the foe with wonder.

We'll lick the red-coats any how,
And drive them from the border,
The loggers are awake—and all
Await the Gen'ral's order;
Britania shall not rule the MAINE,
Nor shall she rule the water,
They've sung that song full long enough,
Much longer than they oughter.

The Aroostook's a right slick stream,
Has nation sights of woodlands;
And long the feller that would lose
His footing on such good lands,
And all along the boundary line
There's pasturing for cattle;
But where the line of boundary is,
We must decide by battle.

We do not care about the land,
But they shan't,kook it from us;
Our country, right or wrong we cry—
No budging or compromise,
So—beat the sheep-skin—blow the fife,
And march in training order
Our way is through the wilderness,
And all along the border.

## *From Harrisburg.*

From our Harrisburg Correspondent.

HARRISBURG, March 11, 1839.

MR. PAXTON :—This morning the resolution, making provision for the payment of the assistant Sergeants at Arms, during the month of December last, amounting to $205 came up on second reading. Mr. Love, called for the previous question, which was sustained by the House, and upon the vote on the resolution, the ayes and nays were taken, and resulted in the affirmative—ayes 70, nays 27. The question then recurred on the passage of the bill, which was carried by a vote of 72 to 25.

The committee for that purpose, reported a bill making provision for a House or Asylum for the insane poor of the commonwealth. This is a noble object, and I hope they may enjoy the benefit of such a provision shortly.

The blood of every respectable man will boil with indignation, when he learns that on Monday last, the Resolution to pay the Bullies, who overawed the Legislature, passed under the operation of Gag Law.—The party vote carried it, and the Clerk is now beset by them and their friends, calling for warrants on the Treasury. A more disgraceful vote never was given.

Mr. T. S. Smith moved the consideration of his resolution calling on the Governor for the evidence of Bank conspiracy, to injure the credit of the Commonwealth, but pending the question the House adjourned.

On Tuesday, the Governor communicated to the House a Report from the Board of Canal Commissioners, on the subject of the purchase of the Gettysburg Road. The commissioners estimate the amount necessary for repairs to be $1,125,000.

Mr. Jarvis Harvie, reported against an Act to repeal the Law which abolishes imprisonment for debts under $5 33 cts.

A resolution was reported a bill to provide for the sale of the Bank Stock held by the State. Made the order of the day for Friday next.

Mr. James reported a bill to authorize a temporary loan of $75,000 at 5 per cent. which passed through final reading.

In Senate there was a motion made to discharge the Military Committee from the further investigation upon the necessity of calling out the troops. The motion was adopted 16 to 11.

On Wednesday last, in the House on motion of Mr. Ryon, a resolution was adopted, reporting to pay the Sergeants at Arms were ordered to be printed.

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HARRISBURG, March, 14.

In the House, Mr. T. S. Smith offered a resolution, instructing the committee of Ways and Means to inquire into the expediency of reporting a bill to tax all the banks chartered by the act of 1824, to loan to the Senate five per cent. of their capital actually paid in, according to the provision of the seventh section of said Act. Agreed to.

## *Sheriff's Sales.*

The Sheriff of Adams county advertises the following real estate, which will be exposed to Public Sale, on Saturday the 23d day of March next, at the Court-house in the borough of Gettysburg, at 2 o'clock, P. M., a lot of ground known as the Two Taverns, containing half an acre, on which are a two Story Rough Cast Dwelling House and Kitchen, a Stable and other out buildings, the property of PETER B. BARCAW; also a lot of ground situate in the Borough of Gettysburg, containing 1 acre, adjoining lands of Thos. C. Miller and lot of John J. M'Clellan, on which are a Two Story Brick Dwelling House and Stable and other buildings, and an excellent Spring of Water near the door; also one other lot in said Borough adjoining lands of Peter Culp, and others, containing half an acre, on which is an excellent reservoir, the property of the *Gettysburg Water Company.* Also, a tract of land in Hamiltonban township, Adams county, containing 130 acres, the property of ROBERT DOUGLASS.

GAMBLING IN HARRISBURG.—The gamblers, notwithstanding the continued efforts to expel them from Mississippi, appear to be doing a pretty fair business there. The Greenah Bulletin says, that one of them called the other day at the Union Bank to cash $20,000 worth of checks.

A new paper entitled "The Old Guard" is about to be started at Lancaster city.


GETTYSBURG STAR

GETTYSBURG, PA.

*Tuesday, March 19, 1839.*


DEMOCRATIC ANTI MASONIC NOMINATION FOR PRESIDENT,

**Gen. Wm. Henry Harrison,**

FOR VICE PRESIDENT,

**Daniel Webster.**

☞Our thanks are due Messrs. KETTLEWELL and MIDDLECOFF, for important public documents.

☞The March No. of the Lady's Book has been received, as usual it contains an excellent variety of literary matter, wholly original,and which reflects the highest credit on the Publisher. Long may it continue to be, as it assuredly now is, one of the foremost Literary Productions in the U. States.

## CONSTABLES ELECTION.

☞The following is the result, of the Election held in this Borough on Friday last, for Constables:

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| John Geiselman, | 115 |
| Christian Stout, | 138 |
| Joseph Wright, | 112 |
| Geo. C. Strickhouser, | 104 |

It will appear from the above, that JOHN GEISELMAN and CHRISTIAN STOUT, are elected Constables for one year.

## *Governor's Message, relative to the permanent Loan.*

☞It will be recollected that an act was passed, by the General Assembly of this Commonwealth, on the 26th day of January last, authorizing a *loan*, to enable the administration to meet its engagements.

Some month or so since, notice was given by the secretary of the Commonwealth, that proposals would be received until a certain date for loaning $1,200,000, payable after twenty years. *Five per cent* interest, payable half yearly, was offered for the required sum; but the time expired and not a dollar was offered to be loaned to the Commonwealth. A sad commentary on the credit of the State, in the hands of its present rulers!!

On the failure of the proposed loan, the Governor transmitted to the Senate & House of Representatives, a Message, calculated to render him contemptable in the estimation of every intelligent and honest man. The Governor, in that message, ascribes the failure of the said loan, to "a combination among the monied men and monied institutions," and recommends the passage of a law, to "divorce" the Commonwealth from the Banks; and that the Stock owned in the latter, by the State, be immediately sold. The whole tone of this document is such as must reflect discredit upon its author; there is about it, a want of that temper and dignity, which should characterize the communications of the executive officer of a great Commonwealth, in his official intercourse with the Legislature. But the bad temper in which this paper was conceived and written, though it exhibits in Governor Porter, the absence of that calm wisdom which is one of the prominent attributes of the Statesman, is not however its worst feature. The matter is worse than the manner.

He sets out by asserting a falsehood; namely,that the required loan,was prevented from being taken *by a combination amongst the Banks and monied men.* This charge is not only false, but it is absurd, and in the nature of things, impossible. Absurd, because "monied institutions and monied men," do not all belong to the party opposed to the State Administration; and because such institutions and such men, would not "combine" for their own disadvantage. It is impossible, because from the period at which the Government become a candidate *for a loan*, there was not time to effect such a combination: Besides the proposals for the loan,were not made to the monied institutions and monied men of Pennsylvania alone; they were general. Why then was not the loan taken by the Banks and Capitalists of other States? Have they too combined against Governor Porter and his Administration?

No intelligent man believes the assertion of the Governor, that such a combination exists; and every respectable man, even of his own party, must be mortified at the silly falsehood. The reason why the loan was not taken is plain. The bad faith shown by the Governor and his leading party friends, to the Creditors of the Commonwealth,have made men distrustful; they are not willing to invest their money in the hands of men, who deny,that there is any obligation on the part of the State to be redeemed out of, viz "The cutting of & destroying very large quantities of timber," &c. and that it belonged to her to judge of the exigency of the occasion calling for her interference; and that the Lieut. Governor of New Brunswick been correctly advised of the nature of the proceedings of the state of Maine, he would not have regarded the transaction as requiring, on his part, any resort to force. The land where the timber was cut, is within the limits of Maine—she had a right to exercise jurisdiction over it. He speaks in strong terms of the depradations of the trespassers, and has demanded the release of one Land Agent and his associates. And requested the Governor of Maine to withdraw and disband the Militia raised This request we are of opinion will not add any to his popularity in that section of country. He is strongly in favor of an amicable adjustment of all difficulties,and says that Congress ought not to be invoked to any other than amicable means for the settlement of the difficulty,or to cause the Military power of the Federal Government to be brought in aid of the state of Maine,in any attempt to affect that object by a resort to force, unless the authorities of New Brunswick should attempt to force their claim of exclusive jurisdiction by military occupation of the disputed territory.—He does not wish an extra Session to be called, and for that purpose solicits the attention of Congress to the consideration of such measures as will obviate the necessity of doing so. Several documents of this subject accompany the message.

## *Another Lord Byron.*

☞The Editor of the "Lancaster Intelligencer" has cultivated his talent for Poetry to some purpose, as will appear from an article in a late number of his paper dedicated to HENRY A. WISE, M. C. We are surprised that his nack of writing poetry,and abusing Thaddeus Stevens has not, ere this time brought him into some repute among his cotemporaries.

## WHIG SUCCESS, IN THE EMPIRE STATE.

☞The city of Troy at its annual charter election last Tuesday, elected 11 Whigs, 2 Loco Focos and 1 Conservative,members of the Common Council. The Supervisors elected are all Whigs. Utica the central city of the empire State, as the Evening Journal justly styles it—held its election the same day,and elected all Whigs, in all the Wards, Fulton county, too, in which the factious Senate refuse a bench of Judges—has elected five and probably six out of nine Supervisors. From various other parts of the State the accounts are equally encouraging.

### MARRIED,

On the 10th inst. by the Rev. Mr. Albert, Mr. WM. KETLER, to Miss MATILDA SELL—both of Littlestown.

On the 12th, by the same, Mr. GEO. BECHTEL, of Conewago township, Adams county, to Miss CATHARINE ROSENBACH, of Carroll county, Md.

On the 28th ult. by the same, Mr. JACOB BENTZEL, to Miss RACHEL SPANGLER—both of Conewago township.

On the 26th ult. by the Rev. Samuel Gutelius, Mr. ADAM LOHR, of Carroll county, Md. to Miss MARGARET KARN, of this county.

### DIED,

On the 13th inst, Mr. SAMUEL HUTCHISON, of this place aged about 80 years.

On the 14th inst, MARY STEENBERGER, infant daughter of the Rev. Dr. Schmucker of this place, who returned it to the Senate, with his reasons for so doing, in a message, the most singular and disgraceful that was ever emenated from the Chief Executive Officer, of a Sovereign State.

View this Message, as to its tone, style or matter, and it will be found to be equally disreputable to the character of the Governor, and the people of Pennsylvania, who desires to see the credit of the state upheld, by a suitable amount of dignity and intelligence, in the Officers, entrusted with the administration of her laws. The style of the message is vulgar and boisterous, and the matter such, on the part of its author,an ignorance of the rights and powers of the bodies, with which he communicates, equally reprehensible and disreputable.

The first reason advanced by the Governor, for his refusal to approve of the Resolution, relative to the Gettysburg Rail Road," is, that the Constitution provides, that no money shall be drawn from the treasury but in consequence of appropriations made by law." The *insinuation* of the Governor, is, that the Legislature was not aware of the consequence of this act of legislation—and his *assertion*, is, that it would, indirectly, enable those concerned, to obtain money from the Treasury without a law making an appropriation? The insinuation is an insult to the Legislative Body, and the assertion is untrue.

If, in consequence, of the permission, given by this Resolution, the Contractors, had ventured to work until the first day of May, the work so done, would have been paid for out of the appropriation of $150,000,made by the Legislature,to this Work, two weeks before. But if more than that sum is sufficient for the purpose for which it was intended, the contractors could not have called upon the State Treasurer for payment, unless an appropriation had been made, by law, for that purpose. Governor Porter's Message, to the contrary not withstanding. If that sum had not been sufficient; then it would have been the duty of the Legislature, to have made such an appropriation as was necessary for that object; and we doubt not, it would have had wisdom enough to do so. If Governor Porter had vetoed the Resolution, on the ground that this Legislature, from the manner of its constitution, had no power to enact laws, he would have discovered less ignorance.

But the true source of the Governor in vetoing this resolution are not difficult to discover. It was his hostility to the Gettysburg Rail Road, and a desire to punish the contractors on it, to all possible inconvenience. Strange conduct indeed, is it true, that the Chief Executive Officer, of a great State, is actuated, in his public acts, by motives of private malice!

That it is no motive of public policy, that excites the hostility of the Governor, to this Branch of the Public Improvements, is abundantly proved, by the fact, that at Scouzzo, this same David R. Porter—to the disgrace of Pennsylvania, has Governor—was in favor of it, and voted appropriations to it. This is his consistency.

## *President's Message.*

☞The President has sent into Congress a Message on the subject of the North Eastern Boundary troubles. Want of room prevents us from publishing it at this time. The President is of opinion that the state of Maine, had a right to arrest the depredations complained of, viz "The cutting of


ADVERTISEMENTS.

**To my Old Friends.**

TO those of my late patrons who met me during the past week and discharged their accounts, I return my sincere thanks; and would respectfully inform those who could not call, that I expect to be in Gettysburg at the April Court, when I shall be most happy to see them.

I have deposited a few accounts with WILLIAM W. PAXTON, Esq for the convenience of those wishing to pay. His receipt for the same will be acknowledged by me.

ROBERT W. MIDDLETON.

Lancaster, March 12, 1839. 1t—50

**LOOK HERE!**

THE subscriber has just received a splendid assortment of NEW GOODS.—The LADIES and GENTLEMEN are respectfully invited to call and see. His stock consists of such as the following articles, viz:

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Wigs, Scratches and False Whiske a for Gentlemen.

Also a variety of perfumery, consisting in part of

Lavinder Water, Florida Water, Cologne Water; Antique oil, Macassar oil, Bears oil, Coco-nut oil, Rushia oil, Venus Pomatum

for curling hair.

He has also a variety of sundry articles, consisting in part of

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