

Sunday Evening Reading.

We publish the following, which is the commencement of a series of articles of a religious nature which we intend to transfer to our columns...

THE BIBLE. This is the ladder whereby men may climb to heaven. And yet we need not renounce the ladder to reach our goal...

THE SACRED WRITERS. One prophet speaks to us like an orator, another like a logician, another like a philosopher...

THE BIBLE PROPHETS. Some men neglect the Bible, as others neglect a valuable picture. It is thrown by and buried among dust and rubbish...

THE BIBLE. The atheist laughs at the immortality of the soul, that can build her nest among the stars of heaven, walk through yonder mansions...

TEMPORAL JOY. It is with our worldly comforts, as it was with the original pleasure of Paradise. Some are fit for God, and some for trial. God has thought fit, therefore, to limit the use of these terrestrial felicities...

REAPTURE OF HOLINESS. There is such loveliness in the way of God, notwithstanding our sins, that we are ever approaching it, that whoever is tempted once to lift the veil, and see what is behind it, to remove the sackcloth and ashes, and see what is beneath...

THE LOVE OF CHRIST. It passeth knowledge. It mocks all efforts at description. We cannot reach it with our colors, but like Timanthes, when unable to depict the countenance of Iphigenia's father, he drew a veil over it; we think from an effort that must be ineffectual. It is a love that has no type on earth. We see it glittering on the mount of God, and it leaves us in the vale below, gazing at it, as a thing to which mortality can show no resemblance.

CONSIDERATION. It is with consideration, as it is with microscopes and magnifying glasses. Sin, that looks but a faint redness, through this glass appears all scarlet. God's laws, which were before regarded as mere human injunctions, through this glass appear so beautiful, so rational, so wise, so wonderful, so suited to an intelligent nature, that with David we are compelled to cry out, O how I love thy law! It is my meditation all the day!

THE EXODUS OF ISRAEL. Heaven bowed to the ancient people of the Lord, and under its protection they went as under a canopy of state; and they might, with great reason that the Sultan, have challenged that lofty title. The shadow of God, or with the Persian emperor have applied themselves, King of the stars. Their eyes saw miracles almost every day, and with their daily bread, they received daily prodigies.

LIFE A PILGRIMAGE. Men generally live the reverse of God's designs and intentions, and instead of using their visible blessings in order to secure a greater end, they make that their end which was intended only for their journey, and are erecting tabernacles to dwell there, which God designed only as a thoroughfare.

WORLDLY TREASURES. They often make to themselves wings and fly away; and there was great point in the observation made by the Lacedaemonian in Plutarch, when he heard Eparchus commended for his valuable shipping—I am afraid of felicity, which depends so much on winds and tides. Treasures in heaven, and none other, are infallible.

CONSCIENCE. Judas droops, though his purse is full of money; and Cain, though he is master of a spacious territory, is almost driven to despair. Thompson's letter to Garrison says—"Hill must have given nine cheers for Gov. McDuffie," when he believed his message.

Such an expression is unfortunate, to say the least. If true, one would be led to suppose that the letters spoken of, was quite a cheerful place.—U. S. Gazette. A steam plough has been invented at Geneva, by a clergyman (Yates), and was to be applied, for immediate use. It is water-tight, and is supplied with windpumps, stores, &c. It is highly spoken of. The Pittsburgh Advocate mentions that a branch of the United States Bank will be established in that city within 30 days.

POTTSVILLE.

SATURDAY MORNING, MAR 12, 1836.

✓ Pamphlets, Checks, Orders, Bills of Lading, and Mandibles of every description, neatly printed and bound, at the lowest cash prices.

We publish in another column the final Report of the Senate in relation to the charges of Col. Krebs on the subject of Bribery. When it is recollected that the Report is the unanimous act of the Committee, the majority of whom are anti-bank men, and of course friends of Col. Krebs, it must be taken as favorable to this gentleman as it was possible to make it, and yet where is the man who would not wince under its severity? Col. Krebs very properly voted against the printing of this Report!

✓ A meeting of the Young Men, friendly to the election of Gen. Harrison and Francis Granger to the Presidency and Vice Presidency, will be held at Orwigsburg, this day, at 2 o'clock, P.M. for the purpose of electing two delegates to represent this county in the Young Men's Convention, which is to be held at Harrisburg, on Thursday the 19th of May next, which period has been named by the Central Committee, instead of the 23d inst.

Public Schools.—We understand that the School Directors have engaged a gentleman and lady, to superintend the Public Schools—and that it is their intention to carry the provisions of the Act into effect on the first of April next.

On Friday next an election for Directors, to serve for the ensuing year, will take place.

Blackwood's Edinburgh Magazine.—We have received the November and December numbers of Blackwood's Edinburgh Magazine, republished in this country by Mr. Theodore Foster, New York. This gentleman is the enterprising publisher of the series of British Quarterly Reviews referred to some weeks ago by us. The terms of any one of the series are three dollars per annum. The whole series comprise the London, Edinburgh, Foreign and Westminster Reviews. The celebrity of Blackwood, (which being a monthly publication, is five dollars per annum.) renders any recommendation superfluous. Among the contents of the numbers before us are many interesting, instructive and amusing articles. We think the price of subscription remarkably low.

AGRICULTURAL PAPERS. The Cultivator.—This is a neatly printed and ably conducted monthly paper, published by the New York State Agricultural Society, at the low price of 50 cents per annum, payable in advance. It contains much valuable information, illustrated with handsome cuts or wood engravings. The culture of the grape is a prominent subject in the number before us, together with "Bees and Bee Hives," "Worm on Land," Sheep, Husbandry, "Destructive Insects," &c. &c.—Conductor, Mr. J. Buel.

The Farmer & Gardener.—We had occasion before to commend this highly valuable weekly publication, published at Baltimore, at five dollars per annum, and edited by Mr. E. P. Roberts. The information it contains embraces agriculture in general, with a particular attention to the silk culture. We know of one farmer in this neighborhood who has been a subscriber but a short time, who tells us that he has already gained by the information he has derived from it, what is to him of far greater value than the price of subscription.

Subscriptions to either of the above works received at this office, where the papers can be examined.

Incorporated Coal Companies.—The Senate having passed the bills for re-chartering the Delaware and North American Coal Companies. The sheet anchor of our safety must now be with the two other branches of our Legislature. We cannot believe that the popular branch will be prevailed upon to establish Coal Companies in this region, where individual enterprise and industry must suffer so seriously thereby. Every well informed man must know that incorporated companies and individual operators cannot flourish together in the same region. They are like two opposite elements, which when brought together, must be in perpetual conflict, until the conflict is eventually terminated by the destruction of the one or the other. Fire and water are not greater antagonists in their nature than incorporated companies and individual operators. It is for the legislature to say whether incorporated companies are preferable to individuals in the Coal Trade; or in other words, whether the true policy of the Commonwealth requires that individual operators should be driven from the business, and coal companies established in their room. All we hope and desire is that at least one coal region in the state may be left free to the action of individual industry and enterprise—released from the trammels of incorporated monopolies. In the other coal regions, coal companies have obtained so firm a footing, that it is impossible either to shake or dislodge them, and those regions furnish a practical demonstration of the truth of our position, that coal companies and individual operators cannot flourish together in the same region!

In England the price of rail road iron has doubled within the last six months. The great increase in price is caused by the demand for iron from the U. States.

Weather.—For some days past the snow has been gradually leaving us, though the quantity on the surrounding mountains is still very considerable. On Thursday last it rained throughout the day and part of the night, moderately; however, during the greater part of the time. We were very apprehensive of the consequences in the event of a continuance of the rain. Friday opened clear and moderate, becoming, however, overcast in the course of the day.

The Committee in the House, on Conrad's case, we understand, made a report on the 9th inst. which is very severe on both Mr. Krebs and Conrad, and stands up by offering a resolution that he, Conrad, be reprimanded by the Speaker at the bar of the House. The only reason why the committee did not report in favor of expelling Conrad, was respect to the county—not to the member in question.

The Convention.—After considerable discussion, the time of holding the Convention for altering the Constitution has been fixed in September next, notwithstanding the efforts of Mr. Stevens to postpone it until May 1837. The number of delegates is limited to one hundred—the present number of Representatives—and to be elected in May next. A discussion then arose as to the place of holding the convention—one member proposed the Court House at Lancaster, another Independence Hall in Philadelphia, a third the borough of Bedford, near the Mineral Springs, a fourth the Court House at Pittsburgh. Each advocated the claims of their respective places, but none succeeded.—Mr. Stevens moved a section to prevent the election of any delegate from a district in which he has not lived on whole year before the election, which carried nem. con. Another new section was moved by the same gentleman, the latter part of which provided that no one holding office under the present constitution shall be suspended or have their commissions vacated, before the 2d Tuesday of October, 1838, but Mr. Scott moved that the subject be postponed until Friday, which carried.

Pennsylvania and Ohio.—Our readers will remember that a bill has been lately introduced in the Senate of Ohio to prevent the establishment, within that State, of any branch of the bank of the United States, as well as to prohibit the circulation of the bills, &c. of said bank. Mr. Penrose has introduced into our Senate a Preamble and Resolutions of a countervailing character, which instructs the committee on Banks to inquire into the expediency of passing a law which would go to prohibit the establishment of any branch and the circulation of the notes, &c. of any Bank of any State prohibiting the same with respect to any bank established in Pennsylvania. This is a most excellent and judicious measure, and one which is imperiously demanded by the policy and dignity of the commonwealth.

Ladies Temperance Petition.—On the 4th inst. Mr. Reed presented in the Senate a petition one hundred and fifty-three feet in length, and signed by nearly five thousand ladies, of Philadelphia, praying Legislative interference to prevent taverns and grog shops in that city, and their aid in arresting the evils of intemperance. In presenting this petition, Mr. Reed moved that two thousand copies in English, and one thousand in German, including the names of the petitioners, be printed for the use of the members. In the speech which followed, this gentleman spoke of his being selected as the medium of communication, as the highest honor which had ever been conferred on him, or of which he ever expected to be the recipient, and then ably advocated his motion, which nevertheless was rejected by a vote of 15 to 13. So much for the gallantry of the Senate! Perhaps this body deem the right of petitioning to be confined to the male sex alone, and if so, their decision was strictly in accordance with this erroneous doctrine. Mr. Reed happened to say in the course of his speech, that the ladies were wiser than themselves—and truly the result verified the correctness of his observation.

The latest accounts from Texas, state that Col. CROCKETT is not dead.

The trial of the Engineers, at Norris-town, accused of the murder of Mr. Willour, has resulted in their acquittal.

WILLIAM C. RIVES, Esq. was, on the 2d inst. elected to the Senate of the United States, in the place of the Hon. JOHN TYLER, resigned. The vote stood for RIVES 95—scattering 41. Thirty members were absent.

The following Jacobinal resolutions were passed at a meeting of the citizens of Reading, held on the 1st inst., at which Wm. Shoener presided, assisted by John Ritter, Peter Nagle, and Jacob Gehr, as Vice Presidents, and Gen. Geo. M. Keim, (Cashier of the Reading Bank), and Dr. Hiester H. Muhlenberg, (son of the member of Congress), as Secretaries:

Resolved, That in the opinion of this meeting, the character of the Bank may rightfully be annulled by the Convention of the people to revise the constitution, and, if so, it would be unjust, legal and necessary act, and one which we will support at all hazards, peaceably if we can, forcibly if we must.

Resolved, That should the convention Bill not pass the House, or be postponed to as late a period as there proposed, it would be right and proper to take the matter into our own hands, and proceed to elect delegates in May, to meet & act according to the requirements of the bill, as passed by the Senate.

We are greatly surprised that any set of men having any regard for private charac-

ter or public virtue, should give their sanction to resolutions like the above, the direct tendency of which is to annihilate all government, violate every principle of good faith, encourage and countenance mob law, and bring the general character of the good people of this state into universal hatred, contempt and ridicule. We have never seen any resolutions of a public meeting in this country, professing respectability, of a more degrading and more dangerous character, resolutions which would hardly be tolerated in times of the greatest excitement and disorder. History can afford no parallel to them except in the ruffian-like proceedings and anarchical principles of the Jacobins—such as were exhibited in the wildest and most fanatical period of the French Revolution. When a direct violation of public faith and public honor, is openly recommended, it is a sign that shame, decency and morality have taken their flight from those who join in such a recommendation, and when mob-law is recommended as a means of effecting this disgraceful object, it is a still stronger sign that treason itself is at work; and if suffered to go on, will not only prostitute the public character, but deprive us of every thing which is dear and valuable to freemen!

The Harrisburg Chronicle of the 7th inst. says: Mr. Stevens offered a resolution in the House of Representatives this morning, instructing Messrs. McKean and Buchanan, senators in Congress, to prepare a bill for expelling resolutions. The resolution passed by a vote of 15 to 25.

It is said the resolution will also pass the Senate. In that case Mr. Buchanan will have either to resign or vote against Mr. Benton's expunging resolutions—he having avowed in his letter accepting the appointment, the right of the legislature of the different states to instruct their senators in Congress.

The Harrisburg correspondent of the Philadelphia Inquirer, under date of March 5th, writes as follows: "Last night, a large number of the members of the Legislature, citizens and strangers, took a supper at the Exchange, in favor of state rights, state independence, and state interests. The toasts were read by Dr. Burden, and were truly Pennsylvania. Mr. Cunningham, speaker of the Senate, presided, and Mr. Middleburgh, Speaker of the House, was Vice President. The truth is, Messrs. Burden, Penrose, Dickey, Feltz, Middleburgh and their friends have dissolved all connection with the New York candidate. They will support a State Rights' candidate, and such a candidate is Gen. Harrison. About 250 parties of this festival—Whigs, Antislavery and Jacksonian, who are in favor of Pennsylvania interests."

The following are some of the regular toasts drunk on the occasion: STATE RIGHTS.—The cement of the Union, the palladium of our liberties, as a SOVEREIGN NATION. A COMMITTEE OF INDEPENDENCE.—In our policy, no matter by whom attempted, no power can emanate from Pennsylvania. MARCH POLITICS.—The science of human happiness—Let it not be degraded as to all the relations of man to man, or man to God, or man to his country.

Extract from Mr. TYLER's letter to the legislature of Virginia, tendering his resignation in the Senate of the United States: "In resigning, then, gentlemen, into your hands my place in the Senate of the United States, to which I was called by your predecessors, I trust I shall be entitled to a vote of acquittal. I have no objection to the conclusion that to obey your instructions would be to violate the Constitution of the United States. I shall do so boldly and fearlessly, but will not be beyond the respect, and the honor, to my power. The Senate is ordered by the constitution to keep a journal of its proceedings, and to publish it from time to time. This injunction is thus solemnly repeated in a vote upon the 15th inst. of the present day, but through all time, I was a witness to the fact, that the journal of the proceedings of each Emperor to be written before the close of each day, and placed before him, so as to give him full and complete knowledge of what he was doing, and to curb the exercise of despotic authority. It has been myself, and excited within me an indignation for an indignation for the violation of my Constitution is still wiser. Each Senator, writes daily his own biography. He is required to record and to publish it from time to time. The language or censure of his fellow men is not deposited until he has descended to the tomb. It is daily uttered by the living generation. How powerful are the inducements thus afforded to each member to be faithful to the trust confided to him. How much to be admired the fidelity was his only feature, their title to immortality would be established.

This simple provision is one of the great securities of American liberty. It takes nothing upon trust. If the Senate kept no journal, it would be a secret council, where deeds the most revolting might be performed in secrecy and darkness. The truth might be hid, the wrong prepared, and the first knowledge of the treason might be the explosion, and consequent overthrow of a free government. Liberty could not exist with such a state of things. There is no liberty where there is no responsibility, and there can be no responsibility where nothing is known. To have a Secretary seated at the table of the Senate, to write down its proceedings, and to claim for itself the right to cancel, obliterate, or expunge what he had written, is equivalent to having no journal at all—a mockery and a fraud. The journal of the day may be cancelled in the evening—that of to-day may be expunged to-morrow—cancel it in any way, or by straight lines, it ceases to be a journal, and which was, is not. The journal is to be published, but there is no journal. There was yesterday, but it is not today. It is cancelled, marked out, and the Secretary has given his name to the day, who will temporarily have the custody, and he will erase or blot the page on which such an act of mischief is recorded. I should be afraid, after performing such a deed, to return within her limits. The associations of her people would be thundered in my

ears. The poll which had been trod by her horses and stables would furnish me no resting-place. I should feel myself guilty, most guilty and however I might succeed in concealing myself from the sight of men, I could not, in my view of the subject, save myself from the upbraiding of my own perjured conscience. How could I return to my countrymen, to people, to share their hospitality and kindness, with the declaration of my lips, "I have violated my oath for office, and sooner than surrender my place in the Senate, I will strike down the Constitution!" If the Senate has a right to do so without—if to cancel a part, a right to expunge the whole. If to use ink from a pen, a right to pour it from a bottle—to destroy the paper in any other way—to blot it—to make a blot of all that is bright and glorious in our history. I know it has been said that the process directed to be adopted by your resolution is not designed to expunge, cannot believe that and reject it as equally injurious to yourselves and unjust to those you represent. You direct the words "Expunged by order of the Senate," to be written across the resolutions on which you propose to make war. I do not believe that you sincerely desire to ensure my conscience—much less will I indulge for a moment the idea that you direct falsehood to be recorded by me. Those who are not understanding you who make such assertions, and are not misled by them. The General Assembly of a proud and lofty spirit, is incapable of a mere quibble, and such an one as would disgrace a King's justice. No, gentlemen, the act which you direct, to be performed, is designed to ensure my conscience—much less will I indulge for a moment the idea that you direct falsehood to be recorded by me. 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