

Judge Emmet, of the superior court, has decided that the law of 1849, securing property in certain cases to married women, does not apply to marriages contracted previous to that period...

In Williamsburgh, a man named O'Brien, charged with violating the person of a young girl named Ann Case, has been committed for trial.

The mortality in the city of Brooklyn during the last week has been very great. The total number of deaths was 149, of which 38 were caused by the extreme heat.

Brooklyn has long been infested by a gang of juvenile pickpockets, burglars, and thieves, who audaciously, recklessness, and audacity, are almost too much for the police.

An unknown man fell into an area in front of a new house in course of erection in Fourteenth street, near Seventh avenue, on Sunday evening, and was killed.

Several persons were arrested by the captain of the fourteenth ward police, charged with selling liquor without licenses.

Our readers are already familiar with the case of the emigrant ship George Canting, on board of which eighteen persons died during the voyage from Liverpool, in consequence, it is alleged, of being compelled to make use of improper food.

A house in Twenty-fourth street was entered by robbers last week and ransacked from kitchen to garret. The family were all absent in the country, and the doors and windows were locked and barred.

During the exhibition of certain model artists near the Crystal Palace on Tuesday, a party of rowdies entered the show and commenced a violent disturbance, and an attack upon the semi-nude brutes who were engaged in misrepresenting ancient sculptures.

SINGULAR HOMICIDE.—We learn from a passenger who arrived by the Darien stage yesterday that a most singular homicide was perpetrated near that place on Thursday afternoon.

RAILROADS CONSOLIDATED.—We learn from the Cincinnati papers that a convention of the directors of several railway companies has been recently held. The result of their conference was the consolidation of these companies, viz: The Fort Ward Mississippi Air-Line, and the Fort Wayne and Platte River, under the name of the "Fort Wayne, Lacon, Platte Valley Air-Line Road."

AT NEW HAVEN, a few weeks since, Mr. Haugh, while engaged at his business, stepped upon a nail, which penetrated his foot and caused him some inconvenience for a time, but it soon apparently got better, and nothing was thought of it until about a week ago.

THE CINCINNATI Price Current gives the capacity of the boats cleared from that port during the past year as 2,554,000 tons; while the capacity of railroads to that city, in course of construction, is only 738,800, leaving still for water-carriage the amount of 2,115,200 tons.

ALF. HOWARD, the greatest violinist of America, has arrived in our city en route for Richmond. He performs to-night at Alexandria. Give him a bumper, and send him on his way rejoicing.

VALUABLE HORSE FOR SALE at Walker & Kinnel's Stable.—A valuable blood Bay Horse, six years old, of fine figure and action, of great endurance, an excellent saddle bear, kind in harness, and raised in Northern New York, for sale at Walker & Kinnel's Stable, on C street. The horse can be seen at the above place till Tuesday next, or not previously disposed of.

FOR SALE, a beautifully-situated lot, improved by a large frame house, nearly new, northwest corner of Massachusetts avenue and Thirtieth street, fronting more than a hundred feet on each. The lot is 100 feet wide, and has a view of the whole city, Georgetown, and the Potomac. Will be sold cheap, as the owner wishes to leave Washington.

Also, two small frame houses on M street north, between 13th and 13th 1/2 streets, each containing two rooms, and in good order. Terms very reasonable.

Building Lots in various parts of the city. DONOHOO & MAGILL, Real Estate Agents, office 11 1/2 street near Aug 25—e31

BOARD WANTED in a private family for a gentleman, wife, and two small children. Pleasantry with real name, location and terms. Aug 25—3t

VOLTAIRE'S PHILOSOPHICAL DICTIONARY. Two volumes octavo. Translated from the French, with notes, both critical and argumentative, by Abner Kneeland. Aug 26

BALTIMORE CORRESPONDENCE.

Minister to Constantinople.—Launch of a Steamer.—Plas Mortality.—Congressional Troubles.—Emigrants.

BALTIMORE, August 24, 1853. The announcement of the appointment of Carroll Spence as Minister to Constantinople gave great satisfaction here this morning among the Democracy, not perhaps so much on account of any special friendship towards Mr. Spence, but because by his appointment the Hon. Robert M. McLane was possibly disappointed.

The steamer Tennessee was launched to-day by the yard of Mr. Robb, and is a fine specimen of marine architecture. She is to run between Baltimore and Charleston, in conjunction with the steamer Palmetto, which, built one year ago as an experiment, has been unable to carry one-half the freight offering for it.

The fish in our harbor were yesterday again stricken dead from some unknown cause, making it necessary to remove them forthwith in order to preserve the health of the city. There were millions of them floating about the harbor.

The Third Congressional District Convention for nominating a Democratic candidate for Congress is in session to-day, and have a run time of it, as both candidates, William P. Proctor and Joshua Vansant, esq., are determined to have the nomination. The city wards claim more delegates than the county, and the county more than the city. So that the probability is they will separate, hold two conventions, and make two nominations.

Upwards of five hundred German emigrants arrived here yesterday, and some of them have already started for their western homes.

BY TELEGRAPH.

Arrival of the Northern Light.—Two Weeks Later from California. NEW YORK, August 24.—The steamer Northern Light from San Juan has arrived, bringing San Francisco dates of August 1, 520 passengers, and \$1,600,000 in gold. She connected with the Cortes from San Francisco.

Relief of the New Orleans Sufferers, &c. NASHVILLE, August 24.—There has been collected in this city for the relief of the New Orleans sufferers the sum of three thousand two hundred dollars.

Cholera Abating at Cumberland. CUMBERLAND, August 24.—There have been no deaths from cholera here during the last thirty-six hours; a few mild cases are under treatment.

Condition of the Ohio. WHEELING, August 23.—The water in the Ohio continues at a highly favorable stage, and business assumes a cheerful aspect.

From the Fishing Grounds. BOSTON, August 23.—A letter from Prince Edward's Island, dated August 15, states that the American schooner Star Light had been brought in there as a prize from the fishing grounds, for fishing within the bounds. The American consul protested against the jurisdiction of the admiralty court there, on the ground that she was taken in Canadian waters.

Late from Montevideo. NEW YORK, August 23.—Accounts from Montevideo to July 8 have been received, but there is no news of importance. There has been no change in affairs, and Buenos Ayres city was still besieged by land. There was great dissipation in the camp of the besiegers.

The Cholera at Cumberland, Maryland. CUMBERLAND, August 23—9 o'clock, p. m.—Washington Evans, proprietor of Barnum's Hotel, and Mrs. Gonder, wife of Thos. Gonder, an old lady, died of cholera to-day. There are a very few new cases, and they are of a mild character.

Later from Sierra Leone and Liberia. BOSTON, August 23.—Advices from Sierra Leone to July 15 state that the coast was unhealthy, owing to the heavy rains, and that the yellow fever was prevailing among the shipping.

Relief of Wrecked Passengers. HALIFAX, August 23.—Five hundred dollars has been subscribed at St. John's, New Brunswick, for the relief of the German emigrants wrecked in the ship Charles Clark. The passengers have been forwarded to Quebec.

Death of an ex-Member of Congress. PORTLAND, August 22.—Hon. John Anderson, formerly a member of Congress from Maine, died here yesterday.

Later from Port au Prince. BOSTON, August 23.—Dates from Port au Prince to the 2d instant state that the yellow fever was still prevailing. Political affairs were quiet.

Arrival of Steamer Glasgow. NEW YORK, August 23.—The steamer Glasgow, from Glasgow, arrived at her wharf at half-past nine o'clock this morning.

MARKETS. NEW YORK, August 24.—Flour is steady—Sales of 5,750 barrels at \$5 a 1/2 for State, \$5 1/4 a \$5 3/4 for common to good Ohio, and \$5 3/4 a \$5 62 for southern. Wheat—Sales of 10,000 bushels mixed at \$1 19. Purchasers demand concessions, which are not admitted by holders.

LOCAL MATTERS.

DANIEL T. WOODWARD.—A week ago Messrs. M. Thompson and Carrington, the counsel for Daniel T. Woodward, who is awaiting death for the murder of his wife, placed in the hands of the United States Attorney General the petition to the President, signed by upwards of a thousand citizens of Washington and Georgetown, asking that Woodward be either banished from the country or his sentence commuted to imprisonment for life in the penitentiary.

The above notice is extended and modified as follows: The propositions, accompanied by designs and drawings, will be entertained until the 10th day of September proximo, for furnishing new engines and machinery complete, and for repairing the present boilers instead of building new ones.

A LOOK AT THE COMET.—The comet, visible in the west about an hour after sunset, attracts much attention, and various are the surmises respecting it. On Monday evening an entire family emerged from their humble tenement to have a good, gratuitous look at the distinguished stranger.

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RITTENHOUSE ACADEMY, Corner of Third Street and Indiana Avenue. THE RITTENHOUSE ACADEMY will commence on Monday, September 5. It is desirable that those who enter should be present at the beginning of the quarter. Tuition from \$5 to \$12 50 per quarter, payable in advance.

DRILLING ATTRACTION. MCGRAW & JACOBS, corner 13th street and Pennsylvania avenue, Washington, D. C., would respectfully inform their friends, customers, and the public generally, that they are prepared to supply them with the finest FAMILY GROCERIES, old and choice LIQUORS, and every article, large and small, in their department, at remarkable low prices; in fact, we shall establish one of the most complete and well-stocked stores in the city.

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ANOTHER SWINDLE EXPLODED.—A concern called the "Washington Bank" has exploded; the shop of Fifteenth street shut up, and the speculators vanished. Notwithstanding the frequent warnings against bogus money, it is to be feared that they who have extended to the "institution" a "generous confidence" have been bitten.

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THE NAVY DEPARTMENT will entertain proposals, accompanied by designs and drawings, until the 25th instant, for furnishing new engines, machinery, and boilers complete for the United States steam propeller frigate "San Jacinto," now lying at the Philadelphia navy yard.

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON will leave the regular steamer boat wharf. The boat has fine comfortable saloons. The coach leaves the Capitol at 8, 10, 12, 2, 4, and 5 1/2 o'clock.

THE ABOVE BOAT can be chartered for public or select parties. JOB CORSON, Captain. Aug 23—6t

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Chemical Yeast or Baking Powder. The cheapest, healthiest, most useful and economical article for raising bread, cakes, puddings, etc. Sold by all Grocers and Druggists.

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PROPOSALS

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It will support cordially and earnestly the principles of the Democratic Republican party of the United States. It does not propose to be the organ of any department of the Government, except in so far as an independent maintenance of the doctrines of this party may represent its opinions and expositions views.

It will not be ambitious to commend itself to the people by a blind flattery of their rulers. It will seek public support by the bold avowal of its sentiments which are common to the genuine Democracy of the Union, and by the condemnation of all such as may conflict with them, from whatever quarter they may come.

It will uphold and defend the Union upon the basis of the rights of the States—under the Constitution—and thus by sedulously guarding and perpetrating the former.

With regard to the exercise of the powers of the Federal Government, the Sentinel will take as the principles of its action that Congress shall exercise no power which has not been delegated by the Constitution, according to a strict and literal interpretation of its terms; and that it shall not seek to attain indirectly an object through the exercise of constitutional power, for the direct attainment of which it has no delegation of power.

In respect to the internal administration of the Government the Sentinel will sustain the settled policy of the Democratic party, and will labor to inculcate this cardinal doctrine of Democratic internal policy—that this Government will best promote the freedom and prosperity of the people of the States by being less ambitious to exercise power, and more anxious to preserve liberty; and by leaving to the individual States the management of all their domestic concerns—while it contents itself with guarding the Confederacy from external violence, and directing the foreign policy of the country to the promotion of peace, commerce and defence of the common rights and honor of the States composing it.

The national policy of the world in this age is essentially aggressive. In the growing sense of weakness and decay of the Old World and the ambitious restlessness of others, a common motive to colonial extension has developed itself.

Our settled determination to repel interference from abroad with our own domestic concerns will prompt us to avoid it in the affairs of other countries, unless by their foreign or colonial policy our peace should be threatened, our security endangered, or our interests invaded.

Our foreign policy should be defensive, but to the people's detriment, and sometimes be apparently aggressive. Our Administration should be vigilant, watchful, and energetic. The world is full of important movements, commercial and political, deeply concerning the interests of American power and honor.

We must have an American foreign policy. We must have it. We cannot avoid it if we would. We have larger interests and a greater stake in the world and its destiny than every other people.

Such, then, the chart by which we shall be guided. Independent and free, we shall endeavor to be honest and truthful. The true friends of Democratic principles, we shall cordially support and defend. Inasmuch as in the field or in ambush we shall oppose, and on all proper occasions denounce.

To our future brethren of the press we extend the hand of friendly greeting. The Sentinel is the rival of no press of its own party—the personal enemy of none.

The present Democratic Administration has our best wishes for its success in the establishment of the great principles upon which it came into power; and in its honest labors to attain such an end it will find the Sentinel its friend and coadjutor.

Terms: For the daily paper, \$3 a year, in advance. For the Tri-weekly, \$5 a year to single subscribers, and to clubs or persons subscribing for five or more copies, at the rate of \$3 a year. For the Weekly, \$2 a year to single subscribers, and to clubs or persons subscribing for five or more copies, at the rate of \$1 50 a year; in all cases payment to be made in advance.

All communications should be post paid, and addressed to BEVERLY TUCKER, Proprietor.

By order of the Board of Directors THOS. E. LLOYD Sec'y. July 26—1f

HORSES AND CARRIAGE FOR SALE. A PAIR of young, sound, and gentle Bay Horses, together with a new and elegant carriage and harness, both in first-rate order, are offered for sale.

Apply at Mr. WM. H. BIRCH'S Stables, on 14th street, south of the Avenue. July 26—1f

NOTICE.—The members of the Mercantile Library Association are hereby notified that the reading rooms of the Association will be opened on Thursday, 26th inst., from 6 o'clock to 9 o'clock, a. m., and from 4 o'clock to 10 o'clock, p. m. The rooms to be reopened daily at the above hours, until further notice.