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WEDNESDAY MORNING, JANUARY 12, 1858.

Amusements This Evening.

ST. CHARLES THEATRE....The drama entitled ADRIENNE, THE ACTRESS, a favorite Dancer, and the farce of SKETCHES IN INDIA.

PLACIDE'S VARIETIES....The drama of CHARLOTTE CORDAY, the Spider Dance, and the farce of WHO SPEAKS FIRST.

AMERICAN THEATRE....Dorsett's TRAINED ANIMALS.

ODD FELLOWS' HALL....Marriam's MODEL OF THE CITY OF SAN FRANCISCO.

DAN RICE'S MUSEUM....NOVELTIES AND CURIOSITIES.

Mr. John G. Ware is the only agent of this office for supplying our friends on the river with the Crescent. We trust they will favor us, through him, with liberal orders for our paper.

Mr. John Marsh Burns of Wells, Fargo & Co.'s Express, will please accept our thanks for California papers. We appreciate such favors and hope for a continuance of them.

Thanks to the clerk of the steamer United States for river favors.

ELECTION RETURNS.—We have received some additional election returns from the upper part of the State, but the subject has become so exceedingly uninteresting, that we have concluded to drop the subject.

The Clerk of the steamship Louisiana, Capt. Smith, will please accept our thanks for Texas papers.

We are under obligations to the clerk of the steamship James L. Day for Texas papers.

Beiden, the Hatter, No. 5 Chartres street, is closing out his stock of children's hats at reduced prices. Those wishing to purchase should not let the opportunity slip. His general stock, for elasticity, finish, and every other requisite, is unsurpassed, as an examination will prove.

ST. CHARLES THEATRE.—Miss Julia Dean appeared last night as *Adrienne* in the tragedy of "Adrienne, the Actress," and notwithstanding our prejudices in favor of Miss Davenport in the part, we were delighted with the performance. Miss Dean is great in almost every thing she undertakes; indeed we know of no one in her line of acting, who can gain such a hold upon an audience in the delineation of pathetic characters. She seems to feel what she depicts, and in this she not only gains applause, but secures the sympathies of those who hear and see her. She appears to night again as *Adrienne*.

CAMPBELL MINSTRELS—*Their Agent, Dr. Jones.*—Dr. F. A. Jones, the gentlemanly agent of the far-famed Campbell Minstrels, leaves here to-day, for Mobile, to make arrangements for the appearance of the troupe in that city. Dr. Jones has often been in NewOrleans, and never have we met with a gentleman more courteous, or an agent more high-minded and judicious. We commend Dr. Jones to our editorial brethern. The Campbell's appear at the United States Hotel, Third District, this evening.

SOCIETY BALL—*Fourth District.*—The fourth Society Ball at Union Hall, Fourth District, comes off to-night. These assemblies are the most pleasant that take place in the city. They are got up by subscription, and are select. We are personally acquainted with several of the managers, and one of them, Mr. W. J. Roberts, we can guarantee. The ball to-night will be a fine one.

METAIRIE COURSE RACES.—The regular winter meeting at the Metairie Course, commences to-day, with a $300 purse, two mile heats. The entries are *Wade Hampton, Berry* and a Boston colt, the latter entered by T. B. Poindexter. The Course is in fine order, and it is thought that the meeting will prove more than usually interesting.

SETTLED.—We have received a copy of the Sheffield (Eng.) Times, containing a *marked* and laudatory notice of the American tragedian, McKean Buchanan. We have no hesitation now in saying that the Fishery question is settled.

DAN RICE IS COMING.—The hero of the ring, the clown *par excellence* of the age, is expected to arrive to-day from Mobile with his great Hippodrome, now the most extensive and attractive exhibited in the United States. He opens the Amphitheatre on St. Charles street to-morrow night, and we need not urge a full attendance. Dan has an army of warm friends in New Orleans, and his reception will be enthusiastic.

RIVER INTELLIGENCE.—We take the following from the St. Louis Intelligencer of the 4th instant:

The steamer Josiah Lawrence, in leaving port on Sunday afternoon, ran on the bar at the head of Duncan's Island, where she remained until a late hour yesterday evening. The steamer Whitening was working at her nearly all day yesterday, but had not succeeded in getting her off.

The river opposite the city is falling slowly. The Pacific, the last boat from below, reports scant six feet in the channel to Cairo, and the river full of heavy floating ice.

The officers of the Lady Pike report the steamer Catahoula aground at Ste. Genevieve Island, on yesterday morning.

The last boat up reports the steamer St. Louis still lying at Turkey Island, awaiting a rise in the river to come up.

KNICKERBOCKER'S COOKING RANGES.—Messrs. Price & Coulon, plumbers, No. 107 Poydras street, are prepared to put up these well known Ranges, of all sizes, and also to supply all kinds of work in brass or lead, appertaining to bathing apparatus, garden, force or lift pumps, garden, hose, hydraulic rams, as well as ship and steamboat work, on the most reasonable terms.

The Jackson (Miss.) Flag of the Union says that Pearl river is unusually high, and that trade on it is brisk.

The new Cunard steamship Arabia made the passage from Glasgow to Liverpool in twelve and a half hours, the quickest passage on record. On the occasion of her trial trip at Glasgow, there was a gentleman on board (the Dean of Ripon) who had been present at the trial trip of Robert Fulton's first North River steamboat, in 1807.

PENNSYLVANIA LEGISLATURE.—The Pennsylvania Legislature met at Harrisburg on the 4th inst. Wm. F. Schell, (dem.) was elected Speaker of the House over C. W. Kelso (whig) by twenty-five majority. The Senate failed to organize.

MASSACHUSETTS LEGISLATURE.—The Legislature of Massachusetts met on the 4th inst. The whig caucus nominated George Bliss for Speaker of the House.

AFFRAY.—The Fort Smith (Ark.) Herald of the 1st inst. says: On Monday evening last, an altercation took place between John F. Wheeler, one of the editors of this paper, and a Mr. Charles E. Pleasants, who had made some very ungenerous and uncalled for remarks about a female member of his family, who is now in her grave. Mr. Wheeler met Pleasants on the corner of Garrison Avenue and Ozark street, and asked for an explanation. Some words ensued, Mr. Wheeler raised his cane, when Pleasants fired a pistol from under his cloak, it being concealed and unperceived by him—the ball took effect in his abdomen. His physicians think there is not much danger to be apprehended from the wound, the ball having passed through his coat sleeve in two places and the breast of his coat, which had a large number of notes and accounts in the side pocket through which it also passed.

The Legislature of North Carolina has passed a law providing that when a man dies intestate, leaving a widow and no child or children, the widow is to have one-half his personal estate. If the husband makes a will, and the widow dissent therefrom, she is to receive one-third, as heretofore.

Among the 250 members of the Philadelphia Typographical Society, but one death occurred during the past year, which exhibits a state of health among printers that will compare favorably with any other profession of equal number.

SINGULAR.—The three candidates for Mayor of Pittsburgh are printers. J. B. Guthrie is the democratic candidate; J. Heron Foster, editor of the Dispatch, is the freesoil candidate; R. M. Riddle, editor of the Journal, is the whig candidate.

The Legislature of North Carolina will meet again on the 24 Monday of November, 1858, in time to nominate a Senator for the short session of the next Congress.

SHIPWRECK.—The bark Kingston, from Turks Island for Philadelphia, with a cargo of salt, was wrecked off Hatteras Shoals on the night of the 4th inst. All hands were saved.

Col. Forney has returned to Washington from his visit to the President elect, at Concord. The letter writers say that the Colonel has no news about the Cabinet. It's a wonder Gen. Pierce didn't tell him all about it.

A NEW YEAR'S GIFT.—A family in Portsmouth, Va., found at the front door of their dwelling, on Sunday morning, the 1st inst., a beautiful little responsibility, fresh from the mint. We need not say that the present was by no means acceptable, or that the donor is not like set up a claim for thanks.

TELEGRAPHED TO THE CRESCENT.

By the Southern Line.

Eastern Mail.

MOBILE, January 11.

The Eastern mail has arrived, bringing dates from New York and Philadelphia of the 5th inst.; from Baltimore and Washington of the 6th, and from Charleston of the 8th, all as late as due.

The NewYork mail contains the foreign letters brought by the Asia.

By the National Line.

Further By the America.

Steamer's Movements.

NEWYORK, January 10.

The America reports that the steamer Hermann arrived at Southampton on Sunday evening, the Baltic at Liverpool on Friday evening, and the Humboldt at Southampton from Havre on Friday morning.

British Parliament.

Parliament adjourned on the 20th December to Monday the 26th, to allow the new ministry time to complete its organization.

British Consul.

William Dyer has been appointed British Consul at Mobile.

France.

Nothing of importance has occurred in French politics during the week. The country is yet quiet.

Arrival of the Humboldt.

NEWYORK, January 10.

The steamer Humboldt has arrived from Havre via Southampton, having left the latter port on the 22d ult. Her accounts state that during the week ending on the 18th, Cotton in the Havre market had declined 2 francs. Her accounts from Liverpool state that provisions had slightly advanced, and that trade in the manufacturing districts had improved.

Congressional Proceedings.

WASHINGTON, January 10.

The Senate has been occupied to-day in hearing Mr. Seward in defence of John M. Clayton, and in reply to Cass and Downs on the Nicaragua treaty.

California Steamers.

NEW YORK, January 10.

The steamer Northern Light arrived to-day from Aspinwall, and the Albatros has sailed for that port.

Ohio River—Steamboats.

PITTSBURGH, January 10.

The river here is still falling, with barely five feet six inches water in the channel.

CINCINNATI, January 10.

The river here is falling about one inch per hour. Weather cloudy.

LOUISVILLE, January 8.

The river here is now falling, with eleven feet water on the falls. The steamboats Winfield Scott, Reindeer, Arctic, and H. D. Bacon have arrived; and the New Orleans, the Gulnare, the Alex. Scott, and the John Simonds have departed for New Orleans.

LOUISVILLE, January 10.

The river here is now falling rapidly, with only six feet water on the falls. The steamboats Gen. Scott, Falcon, Buckeye and Mary Hunt have arrived from New Orleans; and the Moro Castle, the Bride, the Ohio, and the Winfield Scott have departed for that port.

Further by the America.

France.

The News from France brought by the America refers solely to the movements and policy of the Emperor. It appears that he has made conciliatory overtures to Cavaignac and his friends; but they have not been accepted.

Abdel Kader.

Abdel Kader sailed for Turkey in a steamer of war on the 21st of December.

Proclamation of the Emperor.

The Empire was proclaimed on board the French ships of war in the Tagus on the 17th December, when the flag was saluted by the English and American ships lying in the river.

Marriage of Princess Vasa.

The marriage of the Princess Vasa to the Prince of Saxony has been officially announced.

Spain.

The Bravo Murillo Ministry has resigned, and a new Ministry was in course of formation by General Roncoli.

Turkey.

The question raised with the Turkish Government by France, with regard to the Holy places, has been settled by the concession on the part of Turkey, of all the demands made by the French Embassador.

The Bank of Constantinople has been suppressed!!

Australian Gold.

The receipts of gold from Australia for the year amount to fifteen millions.

Opening of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad.

BALTIMORE, January 11.

The Governor and members of the Legislature of Virginia, and the Governor and Legislature of Maryland have arrived here to participate in the celebration, to-morrow, of the opening of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad.

Florida Indians.

BALTIMORE, January 11.

Further advices state that the Indians in Florida have deserted nearly all their villages at the instance of Billy Bowlegs, and are entrenched in the swamps.

Death of T. S. Hamblin.

NEWYORK, January 11.

Thomas S. Hamblin, for so many years manager of the Bowery theatre, died on Saturday night in this city.

ARRIVAL OF THE BALTIC.

Four Days Later from Europe — Cotton Quiet—New Ministry.

The Collins steamer Baltic has arrived, bringing dates from Liverpool to the 29th December, four days later than the accounts brought by the America. The following is a summary of her commercial news:

Liverpool Markets.

LIVERPOOL, December 29.

There has been only a moderate demand in the cotton market since the departure of the America, and the sales of the four days are limited to 12,000 bales, of which less than 1000 have been taken for speculation and export. Prices has been rather in favor of buyers, but without material change, and the quotations remain as follows: Fair Orleans 6¼d., Middling Orleans 5¾d., Fair Uplands 5¾d., Middling Uplands 5⅛d ⅌ lb. Breadstuffs have been without any change of moment. Flour is quoted at 28s. for Western Canal, and 28s. 6d. for Ohio, and Yellow Corn at 34s. 6d. per quarter. Lard 60s. per cwt.

General News.

The new Ministry is composed of the following: Lord Aberdeen, Premier; Cranworth, Chancellor; Gladstone, Exchequer; Lord Palmerston, Home Secretary; Sir Jas. Graham, Admiralty; Granville, President. Parliament has adjourned to the 10th of February.

The Europa arrived at Liverpool on Sunday night. Ther ewas a terrible gale on Thursday, attended with an immense destruction of property.

Havre Market.

The cotton market at Havre has been dull, and prices have declined. *Tres ordinaire* is quoted at 87 francs.

FURTHER BY THE BALTIC.

Liverpool Markets.

NEW YORK, January 11.

Brown, Shipley & Co.'s Circular, received by the Baltic, quote the cotton market quiet, with prices without quotable change, though easier for buyers. The sales for the three days preceding the departure of the Baltic had been 7000 bales, of which 500 had been taken for export, but none for speculation. Pork was quoted at 88s. per barrel, and Irish bacon had advanced to 56s. per cwt.

France.

The new Emperor has issued a decree, in which he nominates ex-King Jerome Bonaparte and sons, lineal heirs to the throne, as the adopted issue of Napoleon. A decree also orders pensions to be granted to Senators of the Empire.

India and Africa.

Advices from India state that the people on the northern frontier have revolted.

The war in Africa is stated to be nearly at an end.

Gen. Pierce's Son.

BOSTON, January 11.

The funeral of Gen. Pierce's son took place to-day at Andover.

Mail Robbers.

BOSTON, January 11.

Wm. D. Newton and John Rogers were arrested to-day in Maine, and sent to NewYork for trial for robbing the mail.

The Caloric Ship

NEWYORK, January 11.

Another trip of Ericsson's caloric ship came off to-day in this harbor. The ship made eight knots against a head wind and through a flood tide.

The Gale in Liverpool.

NEWYORK, January 11.

The gale in Liverpool on the 26th December, did a great deal of damage to the shipping. Among the ships injured were the Manilla, the Conway and the Childe Harold, all for NewOrleans, and the Emma Drake, for Mobile.

Indiana Senator.

BALTIMORE, January 11.

The Indiana Legislature have elected John Pettit as Senator in Congress, in place of Mr. Whitcomb.

FROM HAYTI.—Capt. Coffin, of the brig Sutcliff, arrived at Boston on the 4th from St. Domingo city; reports that the black vomit was still committing ravages there, and many of the crews of foreign vessels had died. The disease was also quite fatal on shore. Among others who had died was the French Consul. The American Consul had also been sick, but was recovering.

Captain Coffin also reports that during the month or more he was in port at St. Domingo he heard nothing of the occupation of the Peninsula of Samana by the French, and thinks the story must be incorrect.

FROM TEXAS.—By the arrival yesterday of the steamship James L. Day, we received a Texas mail, including Galveston dates of the 7th inst., but we do not find any news of importance.

Capt. Place, of the steamship Mexico, and lady, gave a sumptuous dinner to the citizens of Indianola on board his vessel on the 27th ult., which is spoken of in the highest terms.

The Trinity river is still very low; indeed it is not navigable.

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The new city charter of San Antonio has been rejected. But one vote was cast in its favor.

The Indianola Bulletin learns that the light house at Pass Cavalle was to be lit up on the 31st ult.

The Engineer commenced the survey of the Texas and Louisiana Railroad, at the Texas boundary, on the 30th ult., to progress west, via Marshall.

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The anniversary of St. John the Evangelist was celebrated by the Masonic fraternity of Houston in quite an imposing manner. The new Masonic Hall was dedicated, the officers of the Lodge and Encampment installed, an address delivered by P. W. Gray, and a splendid ball and supper given in the evening.

A man named Henry was convicted in the District Court at Houston, on the 22d ult., for the murder of a German, whose name is unknown.

The Houston Telegraph informs us that the enterprising Commissioners of the Galveston and Red River Railroad intend to commence work on the first section of the road about four miles from Houston, on the 3d inst., and that they design to continue the work without intermission, until it terminates at the Brazos. About one million of dollars, it says, have been subscribed in Texas for the construction of this road, and concludes if its friends at the West and Northern Texas will come forward and act manfully in the good work, the road may be completed from Houston to Red River before either of the great lines from the Mississippi reach our eastern border.

FROM KEY WEST.—At Key West, on the 30th ult., there were no wrecks and no vessels in distress. Business was consequently dull.

A Key West letter of the 30th ult., to the Savannah Republican, says that the American bark Relief bound, with ice, from Boston to Mobile, got ashore at Tortugas on the 26th, and, after remaining there three or four hours, and after throwing over a sufficient quantity of ice to float her, got off without assistance.

A correspondent of the Savannah Courier writes from Key West, on the 30th ult., as follows:

The schooner Savany, Jones, of Brookville, Me., from New York, bound to Franklin, La., arrived on the evening of the 25th, with loss of mainstepmast and mainmast sprung. She had heavy weather on her passage out, and received the damage to her spars in a gale of wind. The wind being fair, Capt. Jones thought best to keep on, and will go into Mobile for repairs.

A British sloop, with fruit and passengers, arrived a few days ago from Nassau, N. P., and being ordered into quarantine for thirty days, the skipper thought hard of the decision of the Board of Health, and has returned to Nassau, refusing to ride out the vigorous order. The cholera had not ceased at the Bahamas, but was declining. Deaths at Nassau, week ending December 11, nine.

THE FRENCH AT SONORA—*Their Defeat and Retreat.*—A letter from Acapulco, under date of December 5, received by the NewYork Times, says that a battle took place the first part of November, at Hermosilla, between 514 French on one one side, and 700 regular Mexican soldiers on the other—the French burying 83, after the fight—the Mexicans having lost at the first fire of the latter 21 men. The French at the time were marching towards Guymas, when, as they reached Hermosilla, the Mexicans suddenly fired upon them from a large walled square, killing twenty one of their officers, which staggered them for an instant; but they rallied, mounted the walls, and fired down into the yard upon them as they would have done upon a flock of turkeys. The fight was afterwards continued for a short time in the streets, with a supposed loss of about 75 men to the Mexicans and none to the Count's party. The French then continued their way to Guymas, but were met by a messenger from the city, who represented that the town was destitute of food and deserted, and that they would inevitably all perish, unless they gave up the war. Count de Raousset at that time was being carried forward on a litter, nearly dead of the dysentery. All of his officers having been killed at Hermosilla, the men agreed to lay down their arms on condition that Blanco should pay them $11,000, with which to embark for California and Mazatlan, which he did. Raousset was taken on board for Mazatlan in almost a dying state.

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FIGHTING EDITORS—*Excitement at Steubenville, Ohio.*—For some time past, a bitter personal quarrel has been waging between the editors of the Steubenville (Ohio) Herald and the Messenger, growing out of a rivalry between the two to get an early copy of the President's Message. The Herald man charges him of the Messenger with getting from the postoffice, and keeping for his own exclusive use, all the copies of the message sent on in advance for the use of editors generally at that place. Consequently, on the 25th ult., according to the Herald, the editor of the Messenger entered the Herald office, locked the door upon the editor, drew a dagger, and threatened to murder him on the spot, unless he signed a paper which the Messenger editor held. The Herald man, to save his life, he says, signed it, and afterwards had the Messenger man arrested. The wife of the editor of the Messenger, the day previous, it is said, procured a horse whip, and proceeded to the Herald office to demand satisfaction for introducing her name into the controversy, but not finding the editor in, she made at one of his workmen, who was compelled to make a hasty exit. The affair has created considerable excitement in that usually quiet village.

FRAGILE LEAF.—The Louisville Courier states that at the recent burning of the paper mill in that city, Edward Johnson, a member of the Mechanic Fire Company No 1, saved his life in a most miraculous manner. He was standing upon a platform playing a stream upon the fire from the Mechanic engine, and seeing a wall about to tumble in he began to look about for some way to retreat. The flames had closed in behind him and were rapidly surrounding him on all sides—the wall had already commenced to crack and totter, there was but one way to escape, and that was to leap from where he was standing into a cellar, which was filled with burning timbers, about thirty-five feet below. He threw down the pipe, and taking a glance at the crowd of anxious spectators around, jumped from the platform, and landed in the cellar, uninjured. He managed to scramble out of the place he had jumped into without being burned.

NEW YORK CRYSTAL PALACE.—This building, with the exception of the floor, will be constructed entirely of iron and glass. Ten large, and eight winding staircases connect the principal floor with the gallery. The building contains on the ground floor 111,000 square feet of space, and its galleries, which are 54 feet wide, 62,000 square feet more, making a total area of 173,000 square feet for the purpose of exhibition. There are thus on the ground floor two acres and a half, or exactly 2.5-100; in the galleries, one acre and 44-100; total, within an inconsiderable fraction, four acres. The dome is supported by 24 columns, which go up above the second story to a height of 62 feet above the floor. The quantity of iron to be used for the building will amount to about 1250 tons. The roof will cover an area of 144,000 square feet. The glass for the building will amount to 30,000 square feet, in 9,027 panes, 16 by 24 or 18 inches.

NEARLY BURIED ALIVE.—An inquest was held last week in Rochester, NewYork, over the body of a man named McLaughlin, found in an unfinished building. The verdict of the jury was "died from the effects of intemperance, exposure, and want of food." McLaughlin was taken home by some of his friends, placed in a rough board coffin, and as they were placing a cloth, wet with whisky, over his face, to keep him from spotting, as they stated, *he waked up and opened his eyes!* crawled out of his narrow resting place, and his first inquiry was for whisky. This unceremonious mode of hurrying a man out of existence is supposed to have some connection with the fees which are charged for an inquest.

REVISION OF THE CONSTITUTION OF MASSACHUSETTS.—Governor Boutwell has issued a proclamation announcing the vote of the people on calling a convention for a revision of the constitution to be 125,547—in favor, 66,416; against it, 59,111; and calls upon the several cities and towns to assemble on the first Monday of March next to choose delegates to said convention, equal to the present number of representatives from said cities and towns, to assemble in the State House on the first Wednesday in May, 1853, to act on the expediency of amending the constitution.

Several destructive fires have lately occurred in Jackson, Miss.

The spiritual manifestation humbug is now exciting the citizens of Baton Rouge.

Mr. Samuel J. Ray, editor of the Macon (Ga.) Telegraph, died a few days since.

MILD SENTENCE.—At the last court in Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, a stage driver was fined $10 for upsetting his stage while intoxicated, killing a woman and injuring other passengers.

VALUABLE CARGOES.—The steamship Franklin, at New York, from Havre, brings over four hundred tons of French goods. The Pacific has six hundred tons of cargo. The City of Glasgow also brings a large freight.

HEAVY DAMAGES.—N. S. Lord and wife have obtained $2,710 damages from the town of Tyngsboro', Mass., for injuries sustained in consequence of the defective condition of a road passing through that town.

GAS AND WATER.—Philadelphia, last year, consumed 2,253,177,762 ale gallons of water, and 1,415,188,000 feet of gas. The daily average consumption of water in the city proper, and the districts of Southwark and Moyamensing, was 5,731,744 gallons.

"A charming young lady" has been "doing" the good people of Birmingham, Ct., out of considerable sympathy and some "material aid," by dropping accidentally among them as an escaped Quakeress from the Enfield Society of Shakers.

A Marine Railway is to be immediately constructed at Honolulu, in the Sandwich Islands, by A. G. Benson, of NewYork, who has received a grant of land from the Government for the purpose. It will be of great use to our commerce.

JOKING WITH FACTS.—A cotemporary, in speaking of the "awful waste" of twenty-five casks of liquor poured upon the ground in Maine, remarks that such an amount of liquor "properly distributed" would have carried the primary elections in two or three wards in New York.

A PAPING SINGING-BOOK.—The "Carmina Sacra," published by Rice & Kendall, Boston, has had a most astonishing run. Over 300,000 copies have been sold! A clear profit of thirty-five cents is made on each copy of the "Carmina Sacra," this gives on 300,000 copies a profit of $105,000.

COLORED PERSONS IN CANADA.—Some of the Canadian papers are taking ground against the influx of colored persons from the United States into the Province, viewing it as a present injury to their property, a drawback to their social progress, and a source of much future trouble.

TO CURE THE TOOTH-ACHE.—Take a paper of tobacco, pour upon it a wine glass of warm water, squeeze out part of the moisture, and after placing the pulp upon a slice of bread, apply it as a plaster to the face. There is nothing like it for the tooth-ache—and it is the only remedy for it in its worst form, the ague in the face.

LIBERAL.—It is stated that the wealthiest man in Boston, on being applied to, recently, gave $1000 towards paying off the encumbrance on Mr. Webster's estate; $1000 towards the proposed statue to be erected in honor of the statesman, and $100 towards the expenses of the "reception" on Boston Common last summer. Total, $2600.

MARINE DISASTER AND LOSS OF LIFE.—A Boston dispatch of the 4th inst. says: The ship Anawan, which arrived to-day from NewOrleans, picked up on the passage the Captain and three mates of the ship Amulet, from Cette, for Boston, which sprung a leak December 20, and went down almost immediately, with 15 souls. The survivors took a boat and were for 36 hours without food. The Amulet had a cargo of 900 tons salt, and was fully insured in this city.

EXTRAORDINARY SUICIDE.—The Norfolk Argus states that Thomas Welch, a discharged laborer from the Seaboard and Roanoke Railroad, deliberately placed himself on the track as the train was passing out near the upper depot, in Portsmouth, on Friday, and standing boldly erect, defied the approach of the locomotive, though his friends standing by admonished him of his danger, and implored him to escape from it. The consequence was that he was crushed to death.

A FIGHTING RAT.—A Mr. Donlan, of Philadelphia, having challenged all the dogs in Ohio to combat with a fighting rat in his possession, Daniel Shond, of Columbus, writes to him as follows: "I now take leave to inform Mr. Donlan that I have a small dog of the terrier and spaniel breed, that I am willing shall fight his rat for $100, or any further amount he may please. I am not a sporting character, but I cannot allow the great State of Ohio to be backed out by a Philadelphia rat."

NEW YORK.—The Legislature of New York met at Albany on the 4th instant, and the Governor's message was delivered on that day. It is a long and able document, and represents the affairs of the State as in a favorable condition, with the exception of the finances. The expenses of the State Government for the fiscal year, ending Sept. 1852, exceed the revenue by $200,000. The funded debt was increasing by the accumulation of interest, the sum set apart to pay the interest and extinguish the capital being insufficient for the former.

A MODERN DOUBTER.—A watchman, who had for some time acted as a "sub," and who was recently enrolled a regular member of the night police by the Councils of Pittsburgh, arrested a United States soldier in that city, a few nights since, for drunkenness. Uncle Sam's servant stoutly denied that he was intoxicated, but the watchman would hear no such story, he knew better, and conveyed his prisoner before Alderman Lewis, who, after a careful examination of the affair, decided that it was the watchman who was drunk and not the soldier. The unlucky "Charlie" was dismissed by the Alderman.

EMMA SNODGRASS.—We understand, says the NewYork Tribune, that Miss Emma Snodgrass, the girl with the unconquerable determination to wear the male attire, and who has almost turned the heads of the Boston editors by her audacious pranks, arrived in the city on Saturday last, and under the rigid rules of parental discipline, has commenced the new year in a more sober and feminine manner. All attempts to punish Emma have failed, simply because she had money. Such is the difference between breeches without money and breeches with.

A late critique upon Mrs Harriet Beecher Stowe shows that all her beautiful and lovely characters have been imitations gathered from different authors. Her own *creations*, on the other hand, have been the personifications of physical and moral deformity—such as the Arkansas planter and the trio of negro traders. In her conception of all that is hideous to the soul she is unapproached and unapproachable; but the beautiful in her book is stolen from others, and marred in the theft. Every character that exalts human nature is not hers, while every one which sickens us with human depravity has its counterpart nowhere else save in "Uncle Tom's Cabin."

AN ARTIST TO BE HUNG IN IRELAND.—Mr. Kirwan, an artist, has been condemned to death for the murder of his wife, in Ireland's Eye, a lonely island near Dublin, and is to be executed on the 18th of January. He solemnly protests his innocence. Kirwan, although married to a lovely woman, has, ever since his marriage, twelve years, kept a mistress, who stood first in his favor, and by whom he had eight children. Strangely enough, his wife, till recently, had been entirely ignorant of all this, and it is supposed that the knowledge of the affair led to reproaches on her part, which turned her husband's indifference to ferocious hate, the consequence of which was her death at his hands. She was found dead upon a little island to which they had gone together, and where they were entirely alone. This event has created the most painful excitement in Ireland.

MELANCHOLY SUICIDE.—Mr. George W. Elmer, recently engaged as book keeper in the establishment of Messrs. Seymour, Ansley & Co., committed suicide yesterday morning, about 2 o'clock, in his room at the Augusta Hotel. It was the infernal hour, about 12 o'clock in the night he rang his bell, and requested the servant to bring him writing materials. The next morning, about 7 o'clock, he was found with his throat cut, as well as the arteries of his arms. Several letters were found on his table—among others, two to his friends in NewYork.

It is truly a melancholy affair. The Coroner's inquest rendered a verdict of suicide. Various opinions are expressed in regard to the cause of the rash act. [Georgia Home Gazette, 5th inst.

FEMALE OCCUPATION.—Women, in the middle rank, are brought up with the best intention that they engage in some occupations they shall lose "their position in society." Suppose it to be so; surely it is wiser to quit a position we can not honestly maintain, than to live dependent upon a bounty and caprice of others; it is better to labor with our hands than to eat the bread of idleness, or subsist in feel that we must not give utterance to our real opinions, or express our honest indignation at being required to act a base, unworthy part. And in all cases, however situated, every female ought to learn how all household affairs are managed, were it only for the purpose of being able to direct others. There can not be any disgrace in learning how to make the bread we eat, to cook our dinners, to mend our clothes, or even to clean the house. Better to be found busily engaged in removing the dust from the furniture, than to let it accumulate there until a visitor leaves palpable traces where his hat or arm have been laid upon the table.

ANECDOTE OF BOOTH—We copy again the following anecdote of this eccentric tragedian. It is old, but very good:

Booth once concluded an engagement with a Manchester manager. Manchester, then, as now, a manufacturing town, was devoted largely to the production of buttons. Booth appeared before his auditors, determined to make a hit. We have forgotten the name of the play in which he appeared; enough that he threw himself into it with his whole soul. But, alas! the house would not "come down." His choicest efforts were thrown away, and his heart began to sink within him, and self distrust to steal over him. At last there came in the play a personal setto, into which Booth went with such a hearty zest, that the cheers and shouts, from the pit rose, broke out in a perfect storm. Booth caught the secret, and forthwith so belabored his fellow-actor, that he fairly yelled with pain. The applause was unbounded. Then Booth sat down in his chair and stretching his neck toward his audience, with a face on which was depicted the most bitter contempt and disgust, exclaimed in a way all his own—"What do you think of that, you *d—n button-makers?*" He was obliged to leave the stage, as well as the city, with a mob of button-makers on his track.

THE MARRIAGE CEREMONY IN RUSSIA.—The marriage ceremony, however solemn it may be accounted, as one of the offices of the church, is so cloaked with theatrical effect as to lose much of its spiritual sanctity. It seems that the external senses, rather than the feelings of the heart and mind, were to be wrought upon; or it is considered that the feelings are only impressed by the agency of the senses. Be this as it may, marriage is a drama from some unclassical priestly auspices; lay friends are intermingled with ecclesiastical pageantry, and theatrical effect is enhanced by its being an evening performance. The exterior of the church is illuminated, but the brilliancy of the inside is eclipsed by the blaze of the interior, which, studded with the candles and chandeliers, looks more like a saloon of pleasure than a temple of worship. The guests and friends invited to be present appear in full dress, and are ushered to the respective side of the building appropriated to them by a master of the ceremonies appointed for the occasion; the friends of each of the contracting parties being grouped together on either side, leaving the centre free—for there are neither pews nor seats of any kind in the Russian churches. The entrance of the bridegroom is welcomed by a chant from the choristers, who take a leading part in the ceremony, no instrumental music being allowed in Greek churches; and a bridesmaid immediately hurries to the residence of the bride to notify her that her intended is awaiting her. This is often intimated gracefully and silently by the presentation of a bouquet of flowers.

On the bride's arrival, the choristers again chanted a welcome, and she takes her place among her friends. The dress of the bride is as sumptuous as jewels and the most costly articles can make it. If the means of her family admit of such a display. She is ushered into the assembly by a kind of procession, headed by one of her own family, bearing before him the richly ornamented picture of her saint, which is destined to occupy a corner of her future apartment; and which, during the ceremony, is placed on the high altar, or reading