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HOUSES TO LET AT YORKVILLE.—2 large houses on the corner of 84th street and 3d avenue; either of them is calculated for a public house, grocery or private residence. On the premises is a fine stable, bowling alley, and a fine garden, consisting of 8 lots, with grape vines and fruit trees thereon. For terms, inquire of
JOHN A. MORRILL, Esq.,
m8 2wr No. 11 Chambers st.

TO LET OR LEASE—The modern built three story dwelling house, No. 32 City Hall Place, in perfect order, with counter cellar, mahogany doors, &c. To a good tenant it will be let on reasonable terms. Possession may be had before May if required. Its location is convenient for the Post Office and the Park.
a2 1w*ec CHARLES G. STOPPANI.

TO LET—The upper part of the store No. 7 New street, a few doors from Wall street; the second story has two offices, and it is adapted for a merchant or lawyer.
Also, the three story house 34 Walker st, between Broadway and Church st, an excellent situation for a genteel family, occupied by Mr. Verplanck.
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The convenient two story house with attic rooms, basement and counter celler, No. 229 Nineteenth street, occupied by Mr. Weeks
The two story brick house, No. 73 Gold street, one door from Spruce st, formerly owned by Mr. Miles Hitchcock. The rents will be moderate. Apply to
MR. DELAPLAINE, 68 Wall street,
m6 1m*r in office No. 9, cor. of Water st.

TO LET—The fire proof brick store, No. 165 Pearl st, with immediate possession if required, apply to
WOODHULL & MINTURN,
m 1r 87 South street.

TO LET—The two story brick House and premises, No. 145 Wooster street, finished in the most modern style, with marble mantel-pieces and folding doors throughout. Apply to JOSEPH McMURRAY,
m23r 100 Pine street.

TO LET—A Sail Loft in store No. 61 South street, on reasonable terms. Apply to
JOHN HERDMAN,
m 1r On the premises.

OFFICES TO LET—In store No. 69 South street. Apply to JOSEPH McMURRAY,
f 1lec 100 Pine street.

SPACIOUS AND FASHIONABLE HOTEL IN PHILADELPHIA.
THE fashionable Hotel, Marshall House, capable of accommodating 150 persons, situate in Chestnut street, between 6th and 7th streets in Philadelphia, having been recently much improved and repaired throughout, is to be let at a reduced rent, for a term of years. Apply to
SAMUEL POWEL, 207 Chestnut street, or to
JOSEPH B. TOWNSEND,
m23 2aw 1m*r 309 Arch street.

PENNSYLVANIA HOTEL—This excellent house is now to let. It is situated on the corner of Washington and Liberty streets, and will be leased to any good tenant from the first of next May. It has lately been much enlarged and improved, and is contiguous to the Jersey Ferry, Albany boat Piers and Western Rilroad Depots.
For further particulars, enquire of E. RUCKMAN, No. 160 Washington street, New York.
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FARM FOR SALE containing 35 acres, the greater part of which is meadow and plough land, with a good young apple orchard, with a variety of cherries, pears, and plumbs, and other fruit. The buildings, consisting of a good barn, cow house, carriage house, corn crib, and sheds, for cattle, together with a good dwelling house and well of water at the door; a sufficiency of firewood; there is a never failing stream of water running through the land. The above farm is situated about three miles from Elizabeth town, N.J., on the main road to Westfield, and within two hundred yards of the stopping place of the Elizabethtown and Somerville Railroad cars. Any further description is not necessary, as persons wishing to purchase will view for themselves. For price and particulars, apply to John D. Murdock, on the premises, or James Duff, No. 148 Rivington street, N. Y.
N.B.—This would be a desirable location for a person doing business in New York, being within two hours ride of the city. March 18th, 1843. m20 2w*ec

HATS.
SPRING FASHION NOW READY.—The subscriber respectfully informs his friends, customers, and the public in general, that they can purchase at his store a handsome Short Nap Silk Hat, a neat and durable dress hat, at the low price of $2 50.
Also, elegant Moleskin Silk Hats at $3; fine Nutria Fur Hats at $3 50—equal in appearance, and but little inferior, to those generally sold at $4 50.
Also, a general assortment of caps, of the newest patterns.
WILLIAM BANTA,
m5 1m*r 130 Chatham street.

MRS. N. FURLONG, 461 Broadway, one door above Grand street, and 66½ Bowery, (Successor to A. J. Engel, formerly A. A. Mott,) will open Paris Millinery on Tuesday, April 4th. m31 6t*r

MISS QUIN, No. 429 Broadway, (three doors below Grand) informs the ladies that she will open her suite of rooms for French Millinery, on Thursday, April 6th, when she most respectfully solicits their kind attention and continued patronage. a4 3t*r

CASH PAID FOR CLOTHING.—Gent's clothing scoured, dyed, pressed and repaired. LEVIE,
a4 1w*r 130 Nassau street.

GENTLEMEN'S FASHIONABLE FURNISHING STORE.
PARSELLS & AGATE, Old Established Manufacturers of Ready-made Linen, Stocks, Suspenders, &c., &c., offer a rich and varied assortment of the following fashionable goods—Scarfs of rich figured satin, silk and mohair; plain black and black figured of satin, silk, mohair, acapes and barratien; cravats of rich figured and plain English silk and satins; rich figd plain and plaid silks of French and Italian silks; pocket handkerchiefs of Spitalfield India and Turin hem'd, for immediate use; ready made linen and muslin shirts, made in the most fashionable and faithful manner; stock of English moleskin satin and combazine; scarf, cravat ties, full fronts, &c, in great variety; gloves of kid, goat skin, silk, linen and cotton thread of all descriptions. Suspenders of English, French, German and American manufacture; gentlemen's dressing gowns, hosiery, linen collars, dress fronts, silk and cotton night caps, purses, umbrellas, canes, money belts, and under garments of silk, merino, lambs'-wool cotton, & &c.
P & A would particularly recommend their improved article the gentleman's Russia riding belt. Their establishment has been favourably known for the last fifteen years as the emporium of fashion, and by strict and undivided attention to the interest and tastes of their customers, they hope to merit a continuation of their patronage.
PARSELLS & AGATE,
a2 1m*ec 237 Broadway, corner of Park Place.

FRENCH MILLINERY GOODS.
OPENING of the Spring Fashions at the Magazin de Modes, 60 Canal street. MAD. D. BEHRMAN begs to inform her numerous friends and the public that she has just received from France, an entire new and beautiful style of Silk materials for ladies hats, and along with it some cases of Paris silk hats, which for novelty and elegance of style never yet was presented to the public before! among which is most pre-eminent a silk hat called Capotte d' Etiquette, which is indeed an emblematical of Parisian taste. Mad'me B. has just opened several cases of French imported fancy whalebones and straw hats of the choicest styles; also a large assortment of Tuscans and fine Dunstaples; also a large and varied assortment of French lawn hats from infants sizes up to ladies—the whole of which Mad. B. has determined, in order to meet the exigency of the times, to offer at such low prices, as to insure her the continuance of her patrons, who for many years have honored her with their commands, and trusts to obtain the preference of those whose patronage she now solicits. An early call is requested at the old French establishment, Magazin de Modes, 60 Canal street. Mad. B. has also received an assortment of Paris flowers and ribbons, which for variety and styles, may be called complete. m 23 1m*r

AN IMPORTANT CONSIDERATION FOR THE LADIES.—MRS. LOVE, Corset Maker, No. 68 Lispenard st, calls the attention of ladies to her important invented Abdominal Supporter for the preservation of the health and strength during pregnancy. This Abdominal Supporter has called forth the fullest approbation of the most eminent Medical men from the satisfactory results to those ladies who have used them. It is perfect in its application, acting as a support and preventing all strain upon the muscles, and the consequent fatigue and exhaustion of the whole system during pregnancy. Nothing that has ever been invented, offers so many decided advantages for invigorating the system against every accident at the period of gestation at the same time preserving the natural form. Country merchants and city retailers supplied on advantageous terms. Mrs. Love at the same time calls their attention to her improved Shoulder Elastic Braces, for misses, as being the long required desideratum for the expansion of the chest. Mrs. L. has secured a patent. She begs to refer in relation to the above, to the following eminent men of the Medical Faculty—Dr Francis, Dr F. O. Pond, Dr. McDonald, Professor Gilliman, M. D., Professor Parker, M. D., Dr. Nelson, A. C. Castle, M. D., Dr. J. W. Moore, J. Neilson, M. D., J. W. Francis, M. D. m20 1mr

CHEAP CASH
TAILORING ESTABLISHMENT,
62 John street, (near William.)
THE subscriber respectfully announces to his friends and the public generally, that he has opened an Establishment on the Cheap Cash System, where gentlemen will always find a New and Fashionable Assortment of Cloths, Cassimeres and Vestings, which will be made up to order in a style of fit and workmanship, not surpassed by any other establishment in the city, at the following low prices:—

Fine Dress or Frock Coats, any color, from	$14 to $18
Superfine do do do	18 to 23
Pants of Wool Black, or Fancy Cassimeres	5 to 6
Vests of Satin, Silk, Valentia, Velvet, &c.,	3 to 5

Just received, a splendid assortment of Spring and Summer goods, at extraordinary low prices.
☞ Gentlemen furnishing their own goods can have them made and trimmed, at the lowest possible prices for Cash.
m8 1mec JAMES LACY.

LONDON AND MANCHESTER INDIA RUBBER GOODS.
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL, No. 8 Wall street. The subscriber has received and offers for sale a large assortment of imported India Rubber Water Proof Goods, viz:
Coats and Capes, of superior Lama, Cashmere Lama, Persian, Merino and Cotton, of all colors and sizes.
Cloth—India Rubber, Water Proof, super Lama, Lama Persian and Cotton, prepared for tailors.
India Rubber Webbings for suspenders, corsets, &c.
a28 6m*r CHAS. ABRAHAMSON

MARTIN'S CASH TAILORING ESTABLISHMENT,
134 William Street, Corner of Ann Street,
IS decidedly the cheapest in the city. There is always on hand a select stock of seasonable goods, purchased for cash which will be made up to order in the style of make, fit, trimming, &c., that has given such general satisfaction during the past four years, and at a positive saving of 30 per cent.
Gentlemen are requested to call and examine. Those who wish to purchase goods, can have them
MADE AND TRIMMED.

Dress Coats, made and trimmed	$7 00 to $8 50
Frock Coats, do do	8 00 to 9 50
Pants and Vests	1 75 to 2 00
Over Coats	9 00 to 11 00

Terms—Cash on delivery.
f16 3m MICHAEL E. MARTIN

WANTED—A situation as Gardener by Julius W. Paulsen a married man, with a small family, who was for four years gardener to J. A. Perry, Esq., at Brooklyn. Having these ten years past made the management and architecture of green and forcing-houses his particular study, he recommends his services either to a gentleman desirous of erecting new green-houses, or where a choice collection of exotics is to be cultivated. He is also a vegetable gardener. For references apply to J. A. Perry, Esq., No. 40 Broadway, or Samuel Stevens, Esq., No. 2 Wall street. A few lines addressed to J. W. PAULSEN, care of the German Society, 105 Fulton street, will meet with strict attention. m30 2w*r

YARD WANTED—Any person having a small yard to let, at a reasonable rent may hear of a tenant by addressing a line stating terms and location, to Box 139 Upper Post Office—location near the East river, below Chatham st, would be preferred.
School Furniture for sale at 195 Bowery, opposite Spring st. Persons in want of such may hear of a bargain by applying as above. adr

A RARE CHANCE—To Druggists and Physicians.—A Drug Store, of twenty years establishment, is offered for sale very low. It is situated in one of the most flourishing towns in the United States, about one hour's ride from the city of New York. The present occupant wishes to engage in another business; and to any one wishing to engage in the above business, this would be a rare chance, as the terms will be made very moderate. For further particulars, enquire D E., Chronicle office, 102 Nassau st. m31 1w*rc

NOTICE—The Copartnership heretofore existing between the subscribers under the firm of WEBB & ALLEN, is this day dissolved by mutual consent. The affairs of the firm will be liquidated by either of the subscribers at their late place of business, corner of Lewis and Seventh sts., East river.
The business, which consists of building and repairing vessels, will be continued at the same place by William H. Webb, on his own account.
WILLIAM H. WEBB,
JOHN ALLEN.
New York, April 1st, 1843. a3 3t*ec

NOTICE—The Copartnership heretofore existing between Ellis & Middlebrook, is this day dissolved
New York, February 1st, 1843.
K. S. ELLIS,
S. MIDDLEBROOK.

S. MIDDLEBROOK respectfully informs the customers of the late firm and the public, that he carries on Bookbinding on his own account, at No. 122 Fulton street, New York.
N. B.—Orders respectfully solicited. Cloth covers made promptly and cheap for country booksellers. a2 1m*ec

FRANCIS R. CRUMP, Chronometer, Watch and Clock Maker and Jeweler, formerly with S. J. Tobias for nearly six years, and recently with Marquands & Co., Broadway, upwards of three years, begs to acquaint his friends and the public, that he has taken a store at 218 Grand street, where he intends to practise the above business and trusts from his long experience and known ability, to meet with that share of patronage to which his abilities entitle him. In return he returns thanks for all past favours, he would remind his friends that he repairs every description of Watches, Repeaters, Musical and Duplex, the most complicated that can be procured
Also, Jewelry and Diamond work set; Pearls restrung; every article fifty per cent cheaper than any house in the city, being enabled to do the whole himself, and not trust to the inexperience of others. Glasses and keys in proportion. Cash paid for old gold and silver. a2 1m*r

500 PAIR OF GOOD DOUBLE AND SINGLE SOLE BUSKINS, of all colors, from 5s to 6s and $1, warranted good. Ladies', Misses, and Children's Gaiters, black, bronze, green and light colors, of the latest fashion, $1 37 to $1 75, and $2. Gent's fine French and native calf dress boots, prime calf dress quarter boots, shoes and gaiters; mens', boys', and children's; good low priced boots; prime mens', boys' and children's, of all sorts and sizes, the cheapest you ever saw. Largest assortment, best quality, and lowest prices in the city. J. S. Walker, 49 Broadway. Have sold out at my other store, and will pay all attention to accommodate my friends and the public. Good shoes at low prices. Good gaiters, 12s.
at 1m*r

NEW SEED STORE.—Early ash leaved Kidney Potatoes all who have tried them pronounce them the earliest and driest ones known: Early Cedonulli, Early Washington, Early Warwick, Early Charlton, Fall and Dwarf Marrowfat Peas; Early and Late Beans; Early York, Early Battersea, Early Ox Heart, Drumhead, Savoy, and Red Pickling Cabbages; Early and Late Cauliflowers; White and Purple Cape Broccoli; Radish, Carrot, Beet, Parsnip, Onion, and all other Vegetable Seeds; 20,000 packages of choice Annual, Biennial and Perennial Flower Seeds; Asparagus, Rhubarb and Globe Artichoke Roots; 30,000 Green and Hot House Plants, of every description, suitable for parlor or conservatory; Fruit and Ornamental Trees of every description, warranted true to their names. A liberal discount to those who purchase in quantity. Bouquets of the most fragrant and delicate Flowers put up at the shortest notice, by calling at the large Green Houses on 8th avenue and 16th street, or at the Conservatory, Niblo's Garden.
a2 6t*r NIBLO & DUSLAP, 576 Broadway.

CHEAP UPHOLSTERY—Wilton, Brussels and Ingrain Carpets, made, altered and repaired, and warranted to fit in the neatest manner, and at a moderate price, by an experienced Upholstress.
apl 1m*r MRS. BOLTON, 360 Monroe street.

LINSEED OIL—23 casks superior English Linseed Oil, afloat, for sale in lots to suit purchasers. Apply to
m31 r WOODHULL & MINTURN, 87 South st.

FOR NEWBURGH—The steamboat JAMES MADISON, Captain Charles Halstead, having been thoroughly overhauled and put in complete order, will leave the pier foot of Warren street, on Wednesday morning, April 5th, at 9 o'clock.
For freight or passage enquire of the Captain on board.
at 3t*m

CHANGE OF STARTING PLACE—New Arrangement to Albany and Boston, via Housatonic Railroad—The steamer Mutual Safety will commence running for freight and passengers daily this morning at 7 o'clock, from foot of Liberty st, near Courtlandt, North River, to Bridgeport. Leave for New York at 2 o'clock, P. M., or on the arrival of the cars from Albany. This boat is the only one connecting in connection with the Railroad.
For further information apply at the office, foot Liberty st. New York. m2r

HIGHLY IMPORTANT.
ADAMS & CO'S New York and Boston Daily Package Express, via Norwich and Worcester Railroad.—The subscribers respectfully give notice that the damages to the Norwich Road, occasioned by the late storm, have been repaired, and that their cars now pass over the entire route, thus affording to merchants, brokers and others, having valuable packages to be transported, the safest and most expeditious mode of conveyance; avoiding as it does the dangers and delays of a passage round Point Judith.
ADAMS & CO,
a3 6tec 7 Wall street.

SOUND PILOT.
OWEN PRESCOTT, Pilot for New Bedford, Nantucket Shoals, Boston, Portsmouth, Portland, Kennebeck, and other ports. Office at Frye & Shaw's Nautical Store, 222 Water, corner Beekman street, N. Y.—Vice versa Adams' Express, Boston, three days before wanted. Charge the same as from Gay Head. m4 1mr

ALL THE REGULAR PACKETS—Steam ships steam boats, and other passenger vessels, carrying the "Francis' Patent Life Boats," have the word "Patent" plainly stamped or painted on the side. f19-tfr

FOR LONDON—Regular Packet of the 10th April—The first class, fast sailing packet ship TORONTO Captain Griswold, will sail as above, her regular day. Has superior accommodations for cabin, 2d cabin and steerage passengers. Those wishing to embark, should make early application to JOHN HERDMAN,
a4r 61 South street.

FOR LONDON—Regular Packet of the 10th of April.—The very superior fast sailing packet ship TORONTO, Capt. Griswold, will sail as above her regular day.
Having very superior accommodations for cabin, second cabin, and steerage passengers; persons wishing to embark should make early application. JOSEPH McMURRAY,
100 Pine street, corner of South street.
Persons wishing to send for their friends, can have them brought out by the above ship, or any of the regular packets, by applying as above, if by letter, post-paid. a4 r

PASSAGE FOR LONDON—Packet 10th April—The splendid fast sailing packet ship TORONTO, Captain Griswold, will sail positively as above, her regular day.
Having splendid accommodations for cabin, second cabin and steerage passengers, for passage apply as above, which may be made on board, or to W. & J. T. TAPSCOTT,
apr 43 Peck Slip, cor South st.

FOR LIVERPOOL.—Regular packet of the 7th April—The very superior, fast sailing packet ship INDEPENDENCE, Capt. Nye, will sail as above, her regular day.
Having very superior accommodations for cabin, second cabin and steerage passengers, persons wishing to embark should make early application, on board, foot of Maiden Lane, or to JOSEPH McMURRAY,
100 Pine st., cor. South.
Persons wishing to send for their friends residing in the old country, can have them brought out by the above ships, or any of the regular packets, by applying as above; if by letter, post paid. m27 r

FOR LIVERPOOL—First British vessel—The fine well known fast sailing Br. ship CHESTER, Captain John Doyle, early expected to arrive, and will have immediate despatch for the above port.
Those wishing to engage freight, will please make early application to the subscribers.
ROCHE, BROTHERS & CO. 35 Fulton st.
m31 r next door to the Fulton Bank.

THE NEW LINE FOR LIVERPOOL—Regular Packet 16th April. The new splendid packet ship LIVERPOOL, John Eldridge Master, 1150 tons, will sail as above, on her regular day.
For freight or passage, having elegant and unsurpassed accommodations, apply to the master on board, west side Boiling Slip, or to WOODHULL & MINTURN,
m19ec 87 South street.

PACKET FOR HAVRE—[Second Line]—The ship BALTIMORE, Edward Funk, master, will sail on the 4th April.
m3 r BOYD & HINCKEN, 9 Tontine Building.

FOR NEW ORLEANS—LOUISIANA AND NEW YORK LINE—Positively First Regular Packet, to sail 10th April.
The fast sailing packet ship H. ALLEN, Captain Wilson, will positively sail as above, her regular day. For freight or passage, having handsome furnished accommodations, apply on board, at Orleans wharf, foot of Wall st, or to
E. K. COLLINS & CO. 56 South st.
Shippers may rely upon having their goods correctly measured, and that the ships of this line will sail punctually as advertised. Any guarantee to that effect will be given and fulfilled that may be required.
Agents in N. Orleans, Hullin & Woodruff, who will promptly forward all goods to their address.
The packet ship Huntsville, Captain O. R. Mumford, will succeed the H. Allen, and sail the 20th April, her regular day.
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VESSELS WANTED—A number of vessels, drawing not over five feet water when loaded, will find constant employment in freighting wood and chaccoal to this city, by applying at No. 20 Platt street, up stairs, immediately.
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WANTED—A ship to load for a southern port. Apply to E. K. COLLINS & CO,
a24 6t*ec 56 South street.

BARGE WANTED—One or two Barges wanted, that will carry from 1 to 250 tons, for which country or good improved city property will be exchanged. The boats must be sound and in perfect order. Address a line "Barge," to this office, stating age and full particulars, which will be regularly attended to. m30 2w*m

REMITTANCES TO IRELAND, &c., &c.—The subscriber continues to transmit money, in sums large or small, to persons residing in any part of Ireland, in the same manner as he, and his predecessor in business, have done for the last thirty years, and more; also, to any part of England or Scotland.
Money remitted by letter (post paid) to the subscriber, or personally deposited with him, with the name of the person or persons in Ireland, England or Scotland, to whom it is to be sent, and nearest post town, will be immediately transmitted and paid accordingly, and a receipt to that effect given or forwarded to the sender.
In like manner money with or claims on persons in any part of Ireland, England or Scotland, can be collected by the subscriber, for persons residing in any part of the United States, or Canada, and will be paid to them accordingly.
m12 1m*r GEORGE McBRIDE, Jr., 82 Cedar st.

New Orleans.

[Correspondence of the Herald.]

NEW ORLEANS, March 25, 1843.

State of Society and Morals—Bals Masqué—Dr. Lardner—The Comet—Politics—Balls—Fashion—Trade.

JAMES GORDON BENNETT, Esq.:

Of all the great cities in this vast republic of ours, there is in my mind no place where there is more fun, frolic, financial operations, &c. going on than here, and I do not believe but the inhabitants of this city think less of cares than almost any people under the sun. Friendship here is of the warmest order while one lives, but the moment dead, he is forgotten. One lives here but to enjoy life, and as we cannot have enjoyment with the departed, we allow our affections to be entirely controlled by the living.

By many, I may say very many who have never had the pleasure to visit our beloved city, it is said that we are a wicked people, given much to sinning in various ways and forms; from robbing by night, to insulting ladies by daylight. Now this is a great mistake, as all those who have ever tasted of our hospitalities can vouch for. From the hour that the eight o'clock gun is fired (which is a warning for all negroes to make for their respective homes) scarce a person is seen in the streets; it is so still that one would think it a city without inhabitants, with the exception of a small space in the neighborhood of the ball rooms, where your northern young and old men go every evening (Sundays not excepted) when here, and are the entire support of those establishments, as it is very rare indeed that you will meet a regular resident of the city in those dens of dissipation and crime.

But a truce to this now; some other time I shall take occasion to say more on this subject. The weather thus far in this month has been extremely cold, more so than it has for the last twelve years it will put our sugar planters much back in planting their next crop; also the lower cotton plantations. Judge Waggaman died on the 23d instant, from the effect of the wound he received in his late duel with D. Prier, Esq. His funeral was attended yesterday by most of our military companies.

We are without anything very important from Mexico or Campeachy, though the next news is looked for with much anxiety, as there is a rumor that Santa Anna is about to offer terms of peace to Texas If so, he will, without doubt, push the war hard against Yucatan.

That are comet, as it is called here (since Dr. Lardner has said it was one) we have the pleasure of seeing every evening. By the way, the Doctor's lectures had a great run here, and I understand that he has concluded to repeat them, many not being able to attend the first.

Our election for Aldermen comes off on the first Monday of April, which will be a pretty animated time. I apprehend, as the moderates of both parties are determined to have a reform of the present financial doings in the second municipality, and to this effect called a large meeting last week at the Arcade, and made their nominations. This has put the ultra whigs in a great rage, and they know not what to do; they dread the examination that they will be brought to if the moderates should gain the day.

It is quite in vogue here now for our military companies to give balls in memory of some great man or saint, and the one given last week on St Joseph's eve, at the St. Louis ball room (in the St. Louis hotel) by the Orleans Guards, one of our oldest and best companies, was a splendid affair. It was entirely an invitation ball, and of course select. The company began to assemble at eight o'clock, and continued to pour in until past twelve. I noticed but few what is termed American or northern ladies present, but of Creoles or natives of this city and State there were plenty.

Among some of the most prominent present, I noticed the enchanting Miss ——, and as she whirled through the waltz, it was impossible for one to keep their eyes off of her. She will make a charming wife for some gay young man, with a pocket full of Mexican castings.

Miss ——, ah! what shall I say of her more than that she was admired by every one, and the queen of the evening; that wreath looked exceedingly becoming. Miss —— never looked to better advantage, I think, than on that evening; every move and motion was perfect grace and ease; and then her broken English sounds so soft and musical. I had wished to dance with you again, but lo! you were gone. Miss —— never looked better; I think she has that young fellow well tangled with love's silken cords. Miss —— was all life and animation, and drew a troop of admirers about her. Miss ——, oh! you are too bad to keep that young fellow in hot water so long. Miss —— looked more beautiful than ever, if any change could be discovered. Miss —— and Miss —— of the same street. Yes, they were there, and what, ye gods, shall I pen that will not diminish the charm thrown about them? I might say that they are very modest, entertaining, intelligent, accomplished, and to my taste and notion, beautiful.

Business fair to middling; cotton ranges from 4 to 7½ cents per lb, but most sales are made at 5 a 6; sugar 2½ a 4¾; flour $3¾ per brl.; pig lead, 2¾ per ton. Exchange on England, 60 days, 1 a 2¼ premuim; Paris, 5fr. 60 a 5fr. 65; New York at sight 3 per cent discount; 60 days do, 4½ per cent discount. In haste, My best respects to *le jeune editeur*.

Yours, &c. L. B.

Norfolk.

[Correspondence of the Herald.]

NORFOLK, March 31, 1834.

Particulars of the Assassination of Gardner—Arrest of Cook—Liberation.

MR. J. G. BENNETT—

DEAR SIR:—

As you seem not to have a regular correspondent in this place, I propose to give you the details of a horrid affray which occurred in this borough yesterday. The origin of this fatal rencontre is as follows:—

At a meeting of the locofoco party, in Portsmouth, a few weeks since, Bernard O'Neil was nominated and elected a delegate to a Convention to be held in Suffolk for the purpose of nominating a suitable candidate to represent the party in the next Congress. It seems that some remarks made by O'Neil did not accord with the views of a portion of the party, and another meeting was called and his name was stricken from the list of delegates, but as he is a man of some influence over a certain portion of the community in which he lives, the more knowing ones of the party called another meeting, and again elected him as a delegate. At that meeting Mordecai Cooke, Jr. made a speech in his favor, and in course of his remarks made, allusions to Mr. M. Gardner, editor of one of their papers in the same place Mr. G. was not present, but heard of the attack and replied through his paper. At this Mr. C. took offence, and armed himself with a pistol and cowhide for the purpose of chastising him when he should meet with him. He sought him both in Norfolk and Portsmouth, but did not succeed in finding him until yesterday, when they met accidentally on the ferry wharf. Mr. C. accosted Mr. G. and demanded an apology or retraction of what he had said, which he positively refused to do. Mr. C. then raised his cane to knock him down, and Mr. G. drew a pistol, a scuffle ensued and in it Cooke obtained possession of the pistol and deliberately shot Mr. G. through the heart—he lived about three minutes and then expired. Cook immediately went to our worthy Mayor Miles King, and delivered himself up, stating the circumstances, upon which he ordered the pistol to be safely lodged in the borough jail, and told Cook to go home, that when he wanted him he would let him know it. However, another Justice of the Peace issued a warrant for his arrest, and he was safely lodged in jail until this morning, when he was brought before a Magistrate, and after much and eloquent pleadings of John Miller and T. Taylor, Esquires, he was fully discharged

Mr. Cook is a young man of high wealthy and influential connexions, and Mr. Gardner is a perfect stranger, not having been here but six months, and a very poor man—he has left a wife and three helpless children, dependent on the community. It is rumored here this evening that his wife is dead, and if so it is a double murder. The citizens of Portsmouth subscribed this day and paid $500 for the benefit of the widow and orphans, which is very creditable to them, inasmuch as they are, as I before stated, strangers in this community

Here then we see the difference between the poor and the rich. I am satisfied in my own mind, had it been just opposite, that the poor man would now be in prison in spite of all the counsel he could obtain. I have never seen so great an excitement in this place in my life.

The reason that I write you is that the papers here have not independence enough to state the facts as they transpired. A. B. C.

AGAIN.—Adams & Co. was again far ahead of the mail yesterday morning.

Mr. Duer's Lecture on Insurance—Failure of the Course.

Mr. Duer gave his first lecture on Monday evening at the lecture room of the Library Society, Clinton Hall, on the law of Marine Insurance. The audience, although not numerous, was very respectable Among those present we noticed Chancellor Kent, Judge Kent, Judge Vanderpoel, George Griffin, Benjamin F. Butler, District Attorney Whiting, Ogden Hoffman, and several other distinguished members of the New York bar.

The learned gentleman commenced by saying, that the law of insurance is not to be regarded as municipal law; it boasts a nobler and a more universal origin. It is founded on the law of nations, and it depends in a greater or less degree on universal law. The law of nations upon questions arising out of maratime laws, such as freight, bottomry, sea prizes, shipwrecks, hostages, &c., is adopted by the common law. There are no other principles by which such questions can be decided. The lecturer then went on to describe the law merchant, and to draw a distinction between it and the law of nations. He said, that the former was not a branch of the latter, in the sense that Blackstone used it. To illustrate this view, he said no people could alter the law of nations to suit their own convenience; hence this law could not be applied to the law merchant. But every nation can make laws to regulate its own commerce; hence, he said, the law merchant at all events can only be an imperfect branch of the law of nations They resemble each other in the sources from which both are derived, but they differ in the obligations they impose, and the rules by which such obligations are enforced. Mr. Duer continued to say, that whether the law of Marine Insurance was, or was not known to the ancients, is a problem not yet solved; but it is admitted that contracts of bottomry and respondentea were well known and extensively used, and are mentioned in the code of Justinian, and in the Roman pandicts He said that it was the opinion of Park, Marshal, and some other eminent jurists, that marine insurance contracts were unknown to the Romans. Those opinions, he said, were founded upon the fact that no trace of this particular contract could be found in the Roman code; that ancient commerce was limited; that their voyages were coastwise, and necessarily short.

He then took an historical review of the commerce of Tyre, Carthage, Rhodes and Alexandria, and contended that it was impossible that nations trading with all parts of the world then known, could be ignorant of the contract of marine insurance. He also contended that coasting voyages were the most dangerous, and that the bravest and most skillful sailors were nursed in the coasting trade. He also showed from historical records, that voyages were made by the Romans, to Spain, to India and other places, and that the customs upon merchandize imported from Egypt to Rome in one year, amounted to one hundred and thirty millions of dollars, which was more than the whole of the commerce of Europe at the present day. He then proceeded to account for the law of marine contracts not being mentioned in the code of Justinian. He said it was not intended by that code to abrogate or supercede all local laws, and it was probable that all questions arising out of marine contracts, were decided by local courts specially established for the decision of those questions. Hence it was not to be concluded, that the marine contract of insurance, was unknown to the ancients.

At the conclusion of the lecture, Mr. Duer stated that a sufficient number of subscribers not having been obtained, he could not proceed with the course; but he said that he would either return the subscriptions, or proceed to give four lectures, which would cover the amount he had received. He then left the room, after which a meeting was organized, and Chancellor Kent called to the chair. It was moved and seconded that Mr. Duer be requested to give the four lectures, and that in the mean time measures would be taken to have the subscription list filled.

MOVEMENTS IN MEXICO.—It is said that Santa Anna has sent an agent, in the person of Judge Robinson, one of the San Antonio prisoners, to Houston, to treat for peace between Texas and Mexico.

We think this very probable. Santa Anna is one of the clearest headed men in his country, and he sees the folly of continuing a war against the Anglo Saxon race, in the present unsettled, anrachical condition of the Mexican people; and he sees too that in attempting to recover both of the lost Pleiads, Texas and Yucatan, he will get neither, and perchance be overthrown at home. Very wisely, therefore, he has concluded to let Texas slip, and devote his whole energies to the recovery of Yucatan, the inhabitants of which are the most enterprising and energetic of the Mexican race.

This movement is very favorable to Texas. She is in no condition, either financially or physically, to go to war; and if her independence will be acknowledged in a quiet, peaceable way, she must consider herself the most fortunate of nations.

City Intelligence.

THE PRIZE FIGHT TRIALS will be continued at Bedford, Westchester county, on Tuesday of next week. De Forrest and Lewis's line of stages will be the most convenient mode of conveyance from this city. They leave the corner of Broome and Bowery from the railroad hotel by the 9 o'clock train of cars. Remember "De Forrest and Lewis's line."

JOINT MEETING.—Both Boards of Aldermen meet this evening in Joint Ballot. Several important appointments are to be made.

THE ATTEMPT TO BREAK PRISON.—The burglar John Moffatt, who succeeded in escaping from his cell in the city prison on Sunday night, but not from the prison, was examined yesterday on the charge. He implicates Isaac Rice, Charles Mursden, Chas. or Philip Green, and John, the white washer in the prison, as accomplices in his escape. He had been supplied with a gimlet, marling spike and knife, by Green, and Rice was to have aided in his escape after he had obtained egress from the prison. This was to be effected by seizing the pistols belonging to the night keeper, and then forcing him into a cell and close the door until he had time to make his exit. We have often wondered why Col. Jones or Mr. Homan, his deputy allowed old convicts to enter the prison on any excuse or reason, and they have now learned a lesson that may prompt more strict rules at the outer gate than have been formerly practised.

ATTEMPT TO DROWN HERSELF.—A woman named Mary Holland attempted to drown herself on Monday evening, by jumping into the East River, from whence she was rescued by a city watchman. She was taken to the City Hospital, where she lies dangerously ill.

Superior Court.

A full Court present.

APRIL 4.—*A. & A. Lawrence & Co. vs. Mayor, &c., City of N. York.*—This was an action brought by the plaintiffs against the corporation, to recover $1,175 62, the amount of seven bales of rugs consigned by plaintiffs to Stone, Swan, and Mason, which were destroyed by blowing up the store of the latter, by order of the then mayor of the city of New York, to prevent the progress of the great fire of 1835.

The declaration contained eight counts, to six of which the defendants demurred, and the demurrer was allowed; on the two last counts an issue of facts was taken.

The plaintiffs gave in evidence the official communication of the mayor to the Common Council, in relation to the fire, and the proceedings thereon.

They also gave in evidence to show that an act of 1806, authorizing the destruction of property to resist fires, was passed in consequence of a resolution of the Common Council to apply to the Legislature for an increase of powers in relation to the extinguishment of fires, to be vested in the board; that the act was drafted by the Common Council, and the memorial for its passage was introduced into the Senate, as a petition to amend the city charter.

Here the plaintiff's case closed, and Mr. Graham moved for a nonsuit, on the grounds that the evidence was not sufficient to connect the corporation with the acts of Mr Lawrence, the mayor of 1836, or to show that they sanctioned or recognized his acts.

The case was elaborately argued by counsel on both sides. The court took the same view of it as defendant's counsel, and directed a nonsuit accordingly.

Mr. Van Waggener for Plaintiffs. Mr. P. Graham for defendants.

Circuit Court.

Before Judge Kent.

APRIL 4.—*Francis Martinez vs. Henry K. Manwaring.*—This was an action of assault and battery, alleged to be committed by defendant on plaintiff on board the brig Emeline, on her voyage from New Orleans to New York. The damages were laid at $5,000.

The plaintiff's case was ably conducted by Mr. Dresser. Mr. Cutting managed the defence.

It appeared from the evidence that plaintiff entered into an agreement with Captain Sawyer, of the brig, at New Orleans, to work his passage to New York as steward. It further appeared that on the arrival of the brig at the quarantine ground, she was detained in pursuance of the quarantine laws; some of the passengers were going on shore, and plaintiff asked leave of the captain to go with them. The latter refused, but told him he would let him go in the next boat. On the return of the boat, the plaintiff asked the captain again for leave to go ashore, but was refused. On the return of the boat the third time, the plaintiff jumped into it; the captain ordered him out; upon which plaintiff jumped overboard, intending to swim to the shore. The captain ordered the second mate to take the boat and go after him. The defendant, who was first mate, interfered, and said he would go, and accordingly jumped into the boat, followed, and overtook him. Plaintiff caught hold of the boat, and wanted to get in of his own accord; the defendant went forward and caught him by the hair of the head, and dragged him into the boat; after which he caught him by the throat, and struck him twice in the face. They afterwards got a rope round his body and hoisted him on board the brig; after which he was knocked down and tied with a rope.

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