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SPECIAL NOTICES.

GENERAL MEETING OF THE BAR.—The members of the Bar, practising in all or any of the Courts held in the city of Richmond, are invited to attend a meeting to be held at the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of said city, on MONDAY, the 20th of March, at 4½ o'clock P. M., to receive the report of the committee appointed at the meeting of the 11th instant, concerning the rule recently adopted by the Court of Appeals. mh 17—3t*

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SOME OF THE STOCKHOLDERS in the Richmond and Charlottesville Turnpike Company having failed to comply with a requisition to pay the $5 per share by the 15th inst., they are now requested to pay the same by the 1st of April, as it is important to the interest of the Company.

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RICHMOND, VA:
MONDAY MORNING, MARCH 20, 1854.

THE GREAT HOTEL.—New York is the great place in this land where the widest extremes are found. The most abject poverty and squalid wretchedness, on the one hand, and the most superb, magnificent and luxurious living on the other, are brought to view. The stranger is at one moment amazed at the splendour and extravagance which are there exhibited, and the next he is pained at the instances of penury, want and suffering which meet his eye—the feeble and wretched mother, with her ragged babes; the weak and disabled man; the barefooted and shivering urchin, claim a penny at every corner; and "*I'm a poor blind man,*" placarded on the breast of a meek and silent unfortunate, as he stands like a statue by the way, appeals to the sensibilities and philanthropy with great force and frequency.

The march of stupendousness and splendor of buildings and decorations has been most rapid in New York. Your splendid and capacious dwelling or hotel of last year is completely thrown in the shade, the present, by many that surpass it as far as that did all others when it was first completed. The Astor was the king of hotels there for many years; but now, the Astor is an old fogy—and though a very capacious, solid and granitive old fogy, it is yet nevertheless behind the age of New York hotels. Several have been built to exceed it in magnificence, and now it is left behind even in its immense capacity. The St. Nicholas has just been completed; and besides being the most gorgeous hotel in New York, is the most capacious. It can accommodate *one thousand guests!*—There are *three hundred* servants employed in the house! The halls and corridors—whose combined length is over two miles—are carpeted with velvet tapestry, and the pedestrians along their way move as noiselessly as though they tread on air. The interior is splendid beyond conception—vast mirrors, costly carpets, gorgeous chandeliers, heavy silk, lace and embroidered satin damask—sofas, pianos, centre-tables, etc., of richly carved rosewood, marble and other palace-like adornments—combine to give an incomparable elegance and brilliancy to the establishment. The exterior is beautiful white marble, of style very ornate.

The house is heated with steam, generated outside the building. There is no fire in any public room, save the kitchen, where the arrangements are absolutely fire-proof. Every room in the house is supplied constantly with hot and cold water and gas, and there are one hundred and fifty suites of rooms for families, each with a commodious bath. The cost of the building and ground is $1,100,000—cost of furniture, $350,000.

This is but a glance at the St. Nicholas which, to be appreciated, must be seen and enjoyed—if there is any such thing as enjoyment in those big New York hotels, which we do not believe, after having given them a fair trial. We have no doubt that the brilliant halls of the St. Nicholas will, during the fashionable season, be filled with patriotic Southrons who have shed a great deal of ink to prove the importance of maintaining Southern trade and enterprise, and to arouse the South from its lethargy by describing the outrages upon its constitutional rights by the North. They will sink down in the voluptious sofas, divans and sociables, and dream away the time for which they are paying; and those yankee eyes which they have damned will be completely healed by the sight of the golden tribute they pay to swell the riches of the North. Dr. Brainerd's cups are nothing compared to the healing efficacy of the yellow mint drops so humanely exhibited to those yankee eyes—and with the continuation of such a blessing the Southern bloods may go on damning the eyes of the yankees 'till doomsday, for aught they care.

JULLIEN COMING.

The great JULLIEN,—the most perfect master in his way we ever saw,—the greatest professor of humbug we ever beheld,—and whose humbugging is the most delightful we ever enjoyed,—is coming to Richmond. He left New Orleans on the 12th inst. for Mobile, Charleston and this city, *en route* for the North. He will, therefore, be along in good time, and let every body prepare to see him and hear his great Band, which he directs like a magician. When we call Jullien the great master of humbug, we do not mean to speak in the ordinary sense. He is, indeed, a very great master of music; but he combines with his great musical genius the greatest degree of tact in arrangement for effect—arrangement of the details of a concert, so as to give it the greatest force and work to the best advantage upon the sympathies and tastes of his audience. Then he is a wonderful actor, and although as vain as a peacock, his vanity is as graceful as it is with that bird; and no true judge of character can behold him without admiration. He waves his wand so gracefully and so majestically—Jove could not dispense his thunders with a more solemn imperiousness. He seems to be, indeed, the very soul of the whole body of musicians—his wand arouses them to a grand crash, or subdues them to gentle tones, such as sigh through Alpine hills on a mild May day. His gilded music, stand in form of a harp, he changes about from side to side, as the chief responsibility is devolved on different parts of the Band. Now he fronts the horns, and a significant wave of the wand tells you his strength lies there: anon he changes to the violins, and now look out for a tremolo that agitates your very soul: then the flutes are summoned up, and the soft tones that waked the echoes in Arcadia are renewed: by and bye, he looks at the drums and waves to the great bass instruments, and you have the very devil to pay; all the enginery of war is called out, and your hair stands on end at the fearful imitation. Jullien is great—he is king—his audience are his subjects—and go where he may, he can summon as many to his presence as can enter the building where he holds his court.

VIRGINIA.

PETERSBURG LIBRARY ASSOCIATION.—On Friday night last Mr. OLIVER P. BALDWIN repeated in Petersburg, at the invitation of this Association, the Lecture on "Woman's Rights" which gave so much satisfaction some time since in this city when delivered before the Athenæum. The Express says that the most crowded audience ever beheld in that city was drawn together on the occasion, and the Lecture afforded to it "the most lively enjoyment." The other Petersburg papers highly compliment the Lecture

WHITMELL P. TUNSTALL.—A meeting was held at Henry Court House on the 13th inst., and a resolution adopted expressive of deep and painful regret resulting from the death of Whitmell P. Tunstall. It was also resolved to co-operate with the citizens of Danville in the erection of the proposed Tunstall monument.

ACQUITTAL.—The examination of Major McDaniel and Maria Fisher, charged with the murder of an infant child, took place at Henry Court this week, and resulted in their acquittal. The prosecution was conducted by the Attorney for the Commonwealth John T. Wootton, Esq., and the defence by Messrs. Tredway and Martin.

Danville Republican.

U. S. DISTRICT COURT.—A special term of this Court, Judge Halyburton presiding, commenced on Wednesday, at the City Hall, and will, we learn, proceed to dispose of the cases of the schnrs. Advance and Rachel P. Brown, which have for some time been before the Court—as soon as the health of the Judge will permit; the Court, we regret to state, having been compelled to adjourn yesterday on account of his indisposition.

Norfolk Herald, Friday.

In regard to this matter the Beacon says:

Judge Halyburton made a decree on Wednesday in the case of the Rachel P. Brown, condemning her for being engaged in the African slave trade. We learn that the counsel for the vessel, gave notice of their intention to file exceptions to the decree.

SETTLED AT LAST.—A case which has agitated the judicial sphere of Petersburg for some time past, namely, Commonwealth vs. Eliza Gallee, was settled by the Hustings Court of that city on Friday. Eliza Gallee is a free woman of color. The charge against her was, we believe, the larceny of a certain number of cabbage plants, not sufficient in amount to constitute grand larceny, as cabbages now sell. If our memory serves us aright, some very nice points were raised in the progress of the trial, such as determining the *status* of the criminal at the bar, et cetera; to which the celebrated Pandelly case in New Orleans might be said to bear some resemblance. Learned counsel argued the case, pro and con., and (we learn from the Express) the Court after some deliberation, convicted Eliza, and sentenced her to receive 20 lashes. Defendant's Counsel moved the Court to suspend the execution of the sentence for a period of ten days stating that they intended to apply for a *supersedeas* to the judgment of the Court. To this motion the Coart assented, but subsequently, after a consultation of prisoner's Counsel, the motion for a suspension of judgment was withdrawn. Whereupon, the Sergeant of the city caused the prisoner to be conducted to the whipping post, and the lashes were inflicted.

LOCOMOTIVE.—Uriah Wells, of Petersburg, has just completed a splendid locomotive for the South side Railroad. It is called "Prince Edward."

RAILROAD IRON.—The ship "Rover's Bride" has arrived at City Point, from Cardiff, Wales, with 800 tons of iron for the Southside Railroad.

"OLD AMERICA."—The Danville Republican copies our notice of the recent marriage of a venerable couple in Georgia, and says:

This is hardly equal to the case that occurred in the county of Charlotte, many years ago, of a man about the age of the one mentioned above, [83,] riding on horseback from Virginia to Kentucky, to court a widow, whom he married, and with whom he has lived for nearly twenty years. The last time we had the pleasure of seeing them they were quite a gay couple; he aged 100 and she about 80 years. Long life to them!

EXECUTION.—A negro named Jim Gooch was hung last Friday, in the town of Lexington, for the murder of a slave named Sam, belonging to Maj. Poague. It is a remarkable fact that but few persons were present on the occasion.

SHOOTING.—We learn from the Lexington Gazette, that in Collierstown, last Saturday week, Hezekiah Chittim was shot in the face by James M. Robinson. Mr. C. will probably lose an eye from the effects of the wound. Mr. R. has given bail for his appearance at the next term of the Court.

MARK HIM.—The Odd Fellows of Rockbridge Lodge, No. 58, warn their brethren every where against the *odd* tricks of an impostor calling himself Jones, Benson, Smith, Benton, &c. He is represented as a cheat and impostor, and as having swindled and defrauded Lodges in North Carolina, Virginia, Maryland, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Indiana, Tennessee, Kentucky, and others.

PROXIES.—The following gentlemen have been appointed by the County Court of Henry, to represent, at the next meeting of the stockholders, the stock owned by that county in the Richmond and Danville Railroad: H. C. Redd, J. M. Smith, H. Dillard, C. Y. Thomas, William Martin, and Joseph Martin, sr.

INCENDIARISM.—The barn of Gen. George Rust, in Loudoun county, was set on fire and partially consumed last Sunday morning week. The rascally incendiary stole a valuable horse from the stable and escaped. The horse was subsequently recovered.

EDITORIAL CONVENTION.—The editors residing in the Valley of Virginia will assemble at Winchester to-morrow, to take into consideration sundry important matters.

RAN AWAY.—Three servants belonging respectively to Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Bell and Mr. Saunders, in the employ of Mr. Reynolds, of the National, are supposed to have made their escape on yesterday towards the North.—*Norfolk Argus, Sat.*

NEGROES DROWNED.—A sudden squall of wind, accompanied with heavy rain, sprung up Thursday evening, during which three boats were capsized in Elizabeth river, and two negro men and a boy were drowned.—*Ib.*

FIRE.—A cooper shop belonging to J. R. Beal, in Scottsville, was destroyed by fire last Tuesday morning. Loss $500.

STABBING AND ARREST.—Officers Cox and Capeheart arrested, this morning, Owen Collins, slave of Mrs. McCarrick, charged with stabbing Willoughby, slave of Ed. Hardy, Esq. He was committed to jail.

Willoughby was stabbed in the right breast, and is supposed to be dangerously wounded.—*Norfolk News, Friday.*

MR. JOSIAH RICHARDSON, an aged citizen of Orange county, while in a fit, several days since, fell in the fire, causing his death instantaneously.

We regret to learn that the barn, together with a fine mule, a large number of farming utensils, wagon, plough, gear, &c., belonging to Mr. Henry Shackelford, at the "Hering Farm," in this county, was consumed by fire on Friday night last. Loss estimated at $2,000, there being no insurance. Supposed to be the work of an incendiary.—*Culpeper Observer.*

FIRST RATE.—The editor of the Woodstock Tenth Legion has hit upon a happy expedient to rid himself of prosy correspondents. He prints their letters without alteration or embellishment—*verbatim et literatim et punctuatim.*

In the last century, there resided in Rhode Island a man whose parents had bestowed upon him the brief name of Through-much-Tribulation-we-enter-into-the-Kingdom-of-Heaven *Clapp.* For shortness, he was called "Tribby."

SPIRIT OF THE PRESS.

Saturday's *Mail* says there is another objection to the Homestead Bill, besides its injustice to the Eastern and Southern States. It provides that no one shall avail himself of the benefit of its provisions unless he be twenty-one years old and the head of a family. The *Mail* argues that the first clause bears rather hard upon Young America. If he exhibits all the other evidences of manhood, to wit: a two-story shirt collar, tight pants, stub-toe boots, the capacity to smoke a long nine, and to raise a light moustache, why should we stickle about age? Then, again, the second condition is harder still. Why are not the bachelors as much entitled to the public lands as any one else? Is this prohibition intended as a coercive measure, to force them into matrimony—or is it designed as a check to the unalloyed happiness which attends upon the bachelor condition? The *Mail* holds up strongly for the rights of single individuals, and suggests to Congress the propriety of giving them all a farm, et cetera, which might induce them to change their social condition.

The *Enquirer*, in a brief editorial on the Black Warrior affair, says, "the tone of the President's message, its effect on Congress, and the temper of the public mind as indicated by the press, foreshadow a rupture of our relations with Spain, unless that insolent government should abate something of its pride and enmity towards this country." The *Enquirer* also remarks that abolition orators and journals, whose policy is dictated by a dread of the acquisition of Cuba, are striving to palliate the enormity of the outrage, and prevent a rupture with Spain; but for its own part, trusts Congress will submit the matter to the discretion of the Executive. The *Enquirer* publishes also a letter from Judge Bronson, showing that he was misrepresented on the Nebraska question by the N. Y. Evening Post, that paper having resorted to the trick of publishing what he said in 1848, against enacting the Wilmot proviso and against establishing slavery in free territory by the legislation of Congress, as though it were an opinion against the Nebraska Bill.

The *Penny Post* refers to the message of the President relative to the Black Warrior; says that the course pursued is probably the best, although momentary impulse might have suggested still more active measures; and thinks the anomaly presented in the delegation, by the Court of Spain, to a provincial Government three thousand miles off, of certain powers which can belong only to an absolute prince, and the withholding of others which belong to the first from the very nature of government itself, would have fully justified a resort to the most stringent means of enforcing our rights. The *Post* defends its position by illustrations drawn from history. We also observe another editorial, expressing high approval of the embargo laid upon the tongues of lawyers, by the judges of the Court of Appeals.

The *Whig* gives an extract from Senator Douglas' closing speech on the Nebraska bill in reply to an objection very confidently relied upon by the North, and urged by some in the South—and that is, that the bill violates our treaty stipulations with the Indians. The Whig says Senator Douglas completely annihilates all objections to the bill growing out of our treaty stimulations with the Indian tribes—showing that there is but one tribe of Indians within the limits of Kansas and Nebraska with whom our government has any treaty obligations. And that is the Ottawa tribe, numbering about two hundred, and owning only about thirty-four thousand acres of land—while the country included in these territories is said to embrace an area of five hundred thousand square miles.

NEVER INTERFERE!—At a little town called Butler, on Licking river, Ohio, a few days ago, an Irishman was beating his wife, when a young Frenchman remonstrated. This so highly offended the Irishman that he drew a pistol loaded with slugs and shot the Frenchman full in the face—knocking out both his eyes. The physicians supposed his recovery impossible.

PITHY.—The Northern papers have a story that on the night of the New Hampshire election, about 6 P. M. one of the especial friends of the President in Concord, sent to him the following dispatch:—

To the President of the United States:—

The State has gone to h——. G. E.

MISSING VESSELS.—The ship Rome, Tift, from Mobile, March 9th, for Toulon, and the clipper Warner, Ripley, from New York for Dunkirk, both with valuable cargoes, are missing.

Friend Humphrey, formerly Mayor of Albany, and State Senator, died last Thursday. He had been for many years engaged in the leather trade

MURDER IN WORCESTER COUNTY, MARYLAND. Last Sunday week Mr. Geo. Payne and his family, living near Newark, Worcester county, Md., went from home, leaving a white boy named Davis, about 15 years of age, who was then living with him, and a colored woman by the name of Margaret, to take care of the house, and while they were absent, it is supposed that a quarrel broke out between the boy and the woman, when she struck him with a stool, the blow of which stunned the boy, and gave him several blows afterwards, as the bruises on the body indicate. Thinking that she had killed him, she became frightened and drew him to the well and threw him down After Mr. Payne's return the boy was missed, and search was made for him, but without success until Monday, when by tracks of blood they were induced to examine the well where the body was found.—The woman's clothes were subsequently found to be stained with blood, as well as the floor of the kitchen. She is in jail.

ARREST OF A RUNAWAY GIRL.—Yesterday afternoon officer Rue, of the Lower Police Court, arrested a pretty looking girl of seventeen years of age the daughter of a clergyman residing at Newark, New Jersey. It seems that the foolish girl ran away from her home a few weeks ago, came to this city and put up at the New Haven House, in Broadway. Soon after her arrival here she was visited by a dry goods merchant, with whom she has been on terms of intimacy for some time past, he paying her board and otherwise administering to her personal comforts. Her relatives came to the city, and on discovering her whereabouts made a complaint to Justice Osborn, who authorized the officer to arrest her and bring her before the court. The Justice then placed her in the custody of Mrs. Flora Foster, the matron of the prison, where she will remain to await the action of here relatives.

N. Y. Herald 16th.

SUDDEN DEATH.—We learn that a young gentleman named SCOTT died suddenly at Georgetown College on Thursday, just as he had sat down to dinner. He was afflicted by a disease of the heart. Mr. Scott, as we understand, was soon to take orders, and occupied at the time of his death the office of prefect.—*Nat. Intelligencer.*

A rumor was current yesterday that the dead body of a female, bearing the description of Miss Cordelia A. Grant, the principal witness against Mr. Shackford and Madame Restell in the abortion case, was found floating in the East river, on the Brooklyn side. Several persons acquainted with her identity, hastened to Brooklyn to ascertain further particulars, and up to a late hour last night, we had not been advised as to the fact.—*N. York Herald, 17th.*

VIOLENT TORNADO AND LOSS OF PROPERTY.—By a slip from the Florence (Ala.) Gazette, we learn that a violent tornado visited Florence Landing, a few days ago. The Florence Bridge, which cost $165,000, was nearly all blown down, and nearly every house there destroyed.

Rev. Dr. Plumer, of Baltimore, is to deliver a lecture on Tuesday evening, before the Young Men's Society of Fredericksburg, Va.

In Prussia, boys of 15 are drawn and compelled to serve in the army until 30 years of age.

[Correspondence of the Dispatch.]

WHEELING, March 14, 1854.

DEAR SIR: As this is a day in which all men are more or less the subject of that very prevalent disease known to your fraternity as the *Cacoethoses Scribendi*, I find myself suddenly attacked by the malady as I am unwillingly detained at a considerable village on the bank of the Ohio.

Allow me to congratulate you upon your recently acquired immortality, and the fame which has so suddenly transformed you into one of the great live Americans of our great and glorious Republic. The honor and glory of your position is truly envious, save and excepting the propositioa of Mr. Livingston that you shall therefore be *hung* up to the gaze of vulgar eyes. Your refusal to be thus suspended in a *gallery*, and your declension to be considered *his* as he is *yours*, is characteristic of your well known modesty.

The village from which I write is reached by water from your city, in 32 hours. By the way, what a mighty agent is water—composed in its analysis of two infallable, and almost immaterial proximities, there is nevertheless combined within these almost an omnipotent power. With the aid of this natural element, what has not man accomplished? Yes, Mr. Editor, while at 12 o'clock last night you were quietly locked in the arms of Morpheus, or perhaps inditing a leader for next day's Dispatch, I was chasing, by the aid of water. (made steam) the Alleghany mountains, from their Northermost extremity clear down to the Ohio river. We threaded this back-bone of the Old Dominion a multiplicity of times. You know that there are upon the Balto. & Ohio Railroad, *eighty-two tunnels*, the longest of which is seven-eights of a mile, and the shortest 150 feet. I have heard of Egyptian darkness, a darkness that might be felt. These tunnels, especially that long one, contains some of that kind. Surely, thought I, this must have been the birth-place of Erebus. This road, 397 miles in length, is one of the most stupendous works of our country, and gives ample proof to the go-a-headativeness of this Yankee race, when stimulated by that Archimedian engineer of this 19th century, *industry and money.* With these you may turn the world right side up.

I cannot write more as my complaint is somewhat better now, but may perpetrate another evidence that a cure is not yet possible. Please don't take up the idea that your patient wishes to become immortal as a scribbler, for be assured he seeks no such distinction: *it don't pay*, but is willing that his name like that of Junius shall be

SLAPNOMMISINUMBRA.

FROM MEXICO.

The N. O. Picayune of the 12th has advices from the city of Mexico to the 4th inst. The intelligence affords abundant evidence of the disaffected state of the country, notwithstanding the rigor with which Santa Anna endeavors to sustain himself.

In our last intelligence from Mexico we announced that it was believed that the Government was about to send down troops to Acapulco, in order to provide for its protection against an anticipated attack by Count Rousset de Boulbon. It appears that the 2d Battalion of Puebla was ordered to proceed for that purpose, and garrison the port, while the 11th Regiment of the line was ordered to post as a reserve in the city of Bravos.

The establishment of a dock-yard there was also resolved on, and repairs to the buildings at an expense of $72,000 were to be undertaken. And ultimately a force of 7,000 men were to be posted, for the protection of the whole coast from Lower California to Acapulco, with all necessary provisions.

All these fine propositions, however, appear to have been nipped in the bud. Don Juan Alvarez, who seems to be an independent mountain chief, reigning supreme within the empire of the illustrious Santa Anna, has refused to allow the troops destined for the protection of Acapulco to invade his territory—the mountainous region round Acapulco—for the purpose of reaching their destination! He has raised his standard, and led a band of mountaineers against Santa Anna's troops, calling on them to prevent their approach to Acapulco.

The reasons he is alleged to assign for this course are that, in fact, the forces are sent thither with the object of assassinating him and all the patriots on their route, for the purpose of reintroducing the plan of Iguala and the treaties of Cordoba. But these reasons, it must be recollected, are given for him, not by himself. All that we may rely upon is, that he is opposed to Santa Anna's Government; and we may infer, with no little probability, that he is likely to aid others who are so, possibly Walker or de Boulbon. In the meantime it is announced that, for the purpose of overcoming him, the Supreme Government has sent 4,000 men to the city of Bravos, and are prepared, it is said, to send 10,000 or 12,000 more, and with all necessary provisions! How important the movement of Alvarez is thought may be gathered from these few facts.

Thus briefly noticed, that circumstance alone would go some way towards illustrating the disaffection existing in this coutry; but it is only one of several afforded us by the papers before us. The port of Acapulco has been declared closed to commerce.

It has been proposed—but the *Trait d'Union* pronounces it *une idie bezarre*—to call the country *la Republica Iturbidia.* Seeing the cock fighting ruler at its head, "Chickabiddya" would perhaps be an appropriate epithet for it, at least for the present.

A curious mistake has just happened to the inhabitants of Cuidad Victoria. They have as civil and Military Governor, Gen. Wool. They lately heard that Gen. Wool had been appointed to take charge of the troops on the Pacific station, forthwith got up a petition to Santa Anna, praying him not to remove their beloved General to take command of any troops anywhere out of the jurisdiction in which they dwelt.

PISTOL SHOOTING AT MOBILE.—We see by the following, from the Register, that they have some fine shots in that city.

The pistol shots at John Smith's yesterday made good work. For the silver goblet there were ten competitors, six shots each, and the prize was proudly borne off by our friend Dr. John P. Barnes, who rang the bell with his first three shots, and lost but six inches in the whole. The goblet should be a big one, for at least half a dozen bottles of fine wine were drunk out of it.

Judge Mason, our new minister, (writes the Paris correspondent of the Cincinnati Gazette,) has taken a house permanently, No. 28 Avenue Gabriel, facing the Champs Elysies. Mr. Sanford continues to perform the business of the Legation at the old office in the Rue Matiguon, until his letter of resignation is answered from Washington. Judge Platt, of Cincinnati, will be his successor as Secretary of Legation. Mr. Mason has employed a tall colored man of the true Virginia type, who was brought out here fifteen or twenty years ago, by an American Minister, and who has remained in Europe ever since in the employ of American Ministers either here, in St. Petersburg, or in Germany. He speaks French, Russian, and German, and is as polite as a well raised Virginia servant united to a French dancing master. His honest black face in the ante-chamber of Mr. Mason does one good to see, and looks more like home than anything I have seen this side of the water.

HEAVY VERDICT.—In the Superior Court, this forenoon, in the suit by Henry Carton against the Hudson Railroad Company, for personal injury, the jury returned a verdict for plaintiff of $5,750.—Mr. C. was a chair painter and gilder, doing business in New York, but resided at Tarrytown, and was a commuter in the H. R. R. R. Co. While near the locomotive, one morning, on his way to the cars the boiler exploded, and his left arm was badly fractured. It was said on his part, but denied, that the boiler was defective, and the attention of the Superintendent had been called to the fact.—*N. Y. Ex.*

The annual snow-shoe race took place in Montreal a few days since. In one of the races, in which six Indians competed, the winner, Pierre Iniwarewas, ran a mile in eight minutes and a half, which was good running, considering that the snow was soft and deep. In another race five white men and the Indian already named competed, and the Indian won by only a few seconds.

At the American Theatre, in San Francisco, they have introduced a new style of act drop scene. A small portion on the centre of it is devoted to fancy scenery of lake, mountain and chateau, very tastefully executed. But the balance of the curtain is covered with the signs of some thirty or forty business firms in almost every variety of trade, from music down to groceries.

Eggs were selling at 6 cents a dozen at Cincinnati on Monday.

Smith O'Brien, who has been pardoned by the Queen, will return in autumn to his native soil.

A true business man bears prosperity without boasting, and sustains a loss without grumbling.

David Jewell, the convicted murderer, at Pittsburgh, is to be hung on Friday, the 24th inst.

Cream, upon milk, is about the only article which has not risen of late.—*Boston Post.*

Debt is a horse that is always throwing its rider. Fools ride him are back and without a bridle.

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March 14th, 1

PROPOSALS will be received at fice until Thursday, the 23d inst., at 12 M., for laying down about twelve hundre yards of brick pavement on the north side street, between 7th and 15th streets: the b to be of good and well tempered clay, stra well burned, so as to make them hard and and to be laid on a bed of good sand not three inches thick, and sanded off with fi sand. The Proposal must state the price pe yard, the Contractor undertaking to execute grading and to remove all the surplus earth bish from the street.

Proposals will also be received until the a time for re-grading and re-paving the space 2d Market, near the corner of Marshall and 6th —the surplus earth to be deposited in 9th north of Clay: state the price per cubic yard ding and per square yard for taking up the stones and sand and re-paving on a bed of sand gravel, full nine inches thick. Also for gradi paving an alley east of the said Market spac earth to be put on 9th street as above; and sla brick culvert, 15x18 inches, of semi-conical covered with granite slabs and having a mean of ten feet—state the price per lineal foot.

Payments for the above work will be m monthly estimates thereof, retaining and k back 20 per cent. until the completion of eac tract. The Contractor will be required to sign tract, with approved security, within ten day the date of the award, or it will be considered doned.

The brick pavement has been estimated at grading at 25c—re-paving at 30c—new paving and the culvert at $1.50 per foot. No bids be the estimates will be considered.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF T COUNTY OF HENRICO.—To George M. rington, Richard A. Carrington and Louisa, his who was Louisa Adams, Littleberry Carrington Eliza G., his wife, Joan Herrot