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Titania.....Miss Proctor.
Puck.....Miss Crocker
In consequence of the length of the play there will be no other performance. For the afternoon performance, on Monday, the doors will open at two o'clock; curtain rises at half-past two.
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Doors open at 7 o'clock. Entertainment to commence at 7½ P. M.
N. B.—The whole performance will be changed every other evening. ja2MWS

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JANUARY 2, 1860.

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DECEMBER 27, 1859. de 31

NEW HAM—JUST RECEIVED AND for sale at FERGUSON'S,
de24 Corner Ninth and Vine-streets.

RAILROAD TIME-TABLE.

TRAINS ARRIVE.

LITTLE MIAMI.—Night Express, 3:00 A. M.; Accommodation, 7:45 P. M.; Day Express, 6:35 P. M.
INDIANAPOLIS AND CINCINNATI.—11:15 A. M.; 5:40 P. M.; 1:40 A. M.
OHIO AND MISSISSIPPI.—8:35 A. M.; 11:45 A. M.; 10:15 P. M.
CINCINNATI, HAMILTON AND DAYTON.—7:45 A. M.; 11:08 A. M.; 12:52 P. M.; 6:53 P. M.; 8:50 P. M.
MARIETTA AND CINCINNATI.—11:20 A. M.; 6:52 P. M.
RICHMOND AND INDIANAPOLIS.—12:50 M.; 6:55 P. M.

TRAINS DEPART.

LITTLE MIAMI.—Day Express, 10:00 A. M.; Accommodation, 4:40 P. M.; Night Express, 11:30 P. M.
INDIANAPOLIS AND CINCINNATI.—6:00 A. M.; 12:45 P. M.; 7:15 P. M.
OHIO AND MISSISSIPPI.—7:20 A. M.; 2:00 P. M.; 7:30 P. M.
CINCINNATI, HAMILTON AND DAYTON.—6:00 A. M.; 7:30 A. M.; 10:00 A. M.; 3:40 P. M.; 5:20 P. M.; 11:30 P. M.
MARIETTA AND CINCINNATI.—9:40 A. M.; 3:40 P. M.
RICHMOND AND INDIANAPOLIS.—6:00 A. M.; 3:40 P. M.

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WEEKLY NEWSPAPERS, within the county where published, Free.
Quarterly payments, in advance, may be made either where published or received.

Church Directory.

Baptist.—First Baptist Church, North side Court, between Mound and Cutter.
High Street Baptist Church, East of City Water Works.
Ninth Street Baptist Church, South side Ninth, between Vine and Race.
Freeman Street Baptist Church, Freeman, near foot of Fifth street.
Welsh Baptist Church, North side Harrison.
Baker Street Baptist Church, (colored,) South side Burnet, between Walnut and Vine.
Third Street Baptist Church, (colored,) South side Third, between Race and Elm.
Christian.—First Christian Church, Longworth, between Western Row and John.
Congregational.—First Orthodox Congregational Church, North side Seventh, between Wester Row and John.
Second Orthodox Congregational Church, East side Vine, between Eighth and Ninth.
Welsh Congregational Church, West side Lawrence, between Third and Fourth.
Disciples of Christ.—Christian Church, Southwest corner Walnut and Eighth.
Christian Church, Sixth, between Smith and Mound.
Christian Church, between T. P. 13 and 14, Fulton.
Christian Church, (colored,) North side Harrison.
Friends.—First Friends (Orthodox,) Fifth, between Western Row and John.
First Friends (Hicksite,) Fifth, between Western Row and John.
Jewish Synagogues.—Holy Congregation, Children of Israel, South-east corner Sixth and Broadway.
Holy Congregation, Children of Jeshurun, Lodge, between Fifth and Sixth.
Holy Congregation of United Brethren, Race, between Fourteenth and Fifteenth.
Polish Congregation of the K. K. Adath Jeshurun, corner Walnut and Fifth.
Shearith Israel, corner of Seventh and Walnut.
Methodist Episcopal.—EAST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.—Wesley Chapel, North side Fifth, between Sycamore and Broadway.
Ninth Street Chapel is now called Trinity.
Asbury Chapel, South side Webster, between Main and Sycamore.
McKendrie Chapel, (Seventeenth Ward,) Front street.
WEST CINCINNATI DISTRICT.—Morris Chapel, West side Plum-street, between Front and Columbia.
Christie Chapel, North side Court, between Mound and Cutter.
Carr-street Chapel, west side of Carr-street, between Eighth-street and Hamilton and Dayton Railroad Depot.
Raper Chapel, West side Elm, North of Findlay.
Park Street Chapel, South-west corner Park and Longworth.
York Street Chapel, South-west corner Baymiller and York.
Findlay Chapel, South side Clinton, between Cutter and Linn.
Union Chapel, North side Seventh, between Plum and Western Row.
Methodist Protestant.—First Methodist Protestant Church, Sixth, between Vine and Race.
Second Methodist Protestant Church, Elm, between Fifteenth and Liberty.
George Street Church, George, between Cutter and Linn.
New Jerusalem.—Temple, Longworth, between Race and Elm.
Presbyterian—OLD SCHOOL.—First Presbyterian Church, Fourth, between Main and Walnut.
Fourth Presbyterian Church, North side High street, near Fulton line.
Fifth Presbyterian Church, South west corner of John and Clark.
Seventh Presbyterian Church, Westside Broadway, between Fourth and Fifth.
Central Presbyterian Church, North-west corner Barr and Mound.
Ninth Presbyterian Church, Cutter, between Clinton and Betts.
Presbyterian—NEW SCHOOL.—Second Presbyterian Church, South side Fourth, brtween Vine and Race.
Third Presbyterian Church, South-west corner Fourth and John.
Eighth Presbyterian Church, Seventh, between Linn and Baymiller.
Tabernacle Presbyterian Church, corner John and Clark.
Protestant Episcopal.—Christ's Church, North side Fourth, between Sycamore and Broadway.
St. Paul's Church, South side Fourth, between Main and Walnut.
St. John's Church, South-east corner Plum and Seventh.
Trinity Church, corner Pendleton and Liberty.
Church of the Advent, (no building,) Walnut Hills.
Church of the Atonement, corner Richmond and Cutter.
Church of the Redemption, Clinton, between Western Row and John.
Roman Catholic.—St. Augustines, Bank street.
St. Peter's Cathedral, South-west corner Plum and Eighth.
St. Francis Xavier's, West side Sycamore between Sixth and Seventh.
St. Patrick's, North-east corner Third and Mill.
St. Michael's West side of Millcreek.
Christ's Church, Fulton.
Holy Trinity, South side Fifth, between Smith and Park.
St. Mary's, South-east corner Jackson and Thirteenth.
St. Paul's, South-east corner Spring and Abigail.
St. John Baptist, corner Bremen and Green.
St. Joseph, South-east corner Linn and Laurel.
St. Philomena, North side Pearl, between Pike and Butler.
St. Thomas, West side Sycamore, between Fifth and Sixth.
Unitarian.—First Unitarian Church, South-west corner Fourth and Race.
Universalist.—First Universalist Church, East side Plum, between Fourth and Fifth.
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PEN AND SCISSORS.

In Falmouth, Mass., 25,000 bushels of onions were raised the past season.

The fellow who cut an acquaintance was seen shortly afterwards cutting a caper.

The only true woman-hater is said to be a woman.

A receipt for washing fluid—six gallons of warm water and plenty of soap.

One farmer in Illinois has sold 2,500 head of cattle this fall, yielding him $75,000.

A Richmond (Va.) paper recommends the establishment of a hoop-skirt factory in that city.

The New York *Post* says that six hundred thousand pairs of skates have been sold in that city the present season.

John Streeh, a lad of sixteen years, was seriously shot in Danville, Ky., a day or two ago by his father, who has been held for trial.

On dit that Lola Montez has written a drama of considerable merit, which has been accepted by one of the leading New York theaters and which will soon be produced.

The London *Gazette* states that in the first ten months of the present year iron valued at £10,785,684 was exported from the United Kingdom.

A man who won't take a paper because he can borrow one, has invented a machine with which he can cook his dinner by the smoke of his neighbor's chimney.

Bembrandt Peale, the venerable and distinguished artist, is lying ill at Stonington, Conn., where he stopped on his way home from a visit to Boston.

The New Yorkers have a way of observing Sunday, all their own. On Sunday there were 8,000 persons, including 2,000 women, skating on the Central Park.

Some of the people of Staten Island, anticipating the completion of their local railroad, propose to make the Island a port of entry.

It has been estimated that a work like the Great Pyramid could not be constructed at the present day with all the aids of modern science, for less than a hundred and thirty-five millions of dollars.

A Philadelphia paper says that several students who left Jefferson College for Richmond have returned and resumed their studies, stating that they only joined the stampede to have a Christmas frolic.

"I am rejoiced, my dear husband, to see you in such good health," said Mrs. Smith to the veritable John. "Health?" was the quick retort; "why, I have had the plague ever since I was married."

"Captain, what's the fare to St. Louis?" "What part of the boat do you wish to go on, cabin or deck?" "Hang your cabin," said the gentleman from Indiana, "I live in a cabin at home; give me the best you've got."

The Georgia Methodist Episcopal Conference lately reprimanded a minister for attending a circus, and subsequently unanimously resolved that a minister or layman who visited a show of any description should be excluded from the church.

"Papa," said a little boy to his parent one day, "are not sailors very small men?" "No my dear," answered the father; "pray, what leads you to suppose that they are so very small?" "Because," replied the young idea, smartly, "I read the other day of a Sailor tying a regi n his watch.'

EXTRAORDINARY TELEGRAPHIC PERFORMANCE. There were sent on Tuesday over the wires of the Atlantic and Ohio telegraph (Morse) lines, extending between Philadelphia and Pittsburg, five hundred and seventy-eight private dispatches, over five thousand words of news for the Associated Press, and an entire copy of the President's Message, containing over fifteen thousand words, to the Pittsburg *Post*, and all during the regular business hours of the day. The President's Message was transmitted, on two wires, in five hours and fifteen minutes. Two thousand and eighty-three words were transmitted by one operator—Mr. Zeigler—in an hour, Mr. Fleming, of Pittsburg, taking it down by the "tick."—*Ledger.*

PROFITS OF THE SLAVE TRADE IN CUBA.—The Havana correspondent of the New Orleans *Crescent* writes from that island on the 18th inst., as follows: "Concha, it is understood, has made a fortune of seven millions of dollars during his last administration of the government of this island. The African slave trade is the great source of profit to the authorities of Cuba, and fools, indeed, they would be, were they not to avail themselves of the benefits to be derived from it, when their parent Government winks at all the new observances of the treaties made by Spain with England to discontinue the African slave trade.

THE FOLLY OF LOVERS.—There is not in all nature anything so utterly ridiculous as a man so much in love as not to be able to conceal it from the rest of the company. Not only is he ridiculous, but, in time, he gets to be a regular nuisance, and is as impertinent and tiresome as he was at first laughable. He is always either extremely happy or wonderfully wretched, without any apparent cause. This class of lovers who would give their fortune for a curl of their sweetheart's hair, or a piece of her shoe-string, generally make the worst husbands in the world.

AGRICULTURE IN CALIFORNIA.—The agricultural productions of California are becoming very large. According to recent statistics gathered in the several counties, the State has raised this year about 4,000,000 bushels of wheat, and more than 3,000,000 bushels of barley; there are 4,000,000 grape vines growing, all of which will be bearing in two years; there are 1,000,000 peach trees, and 500,000 apple trees growing; there are 750,000 beef cattle; 550,000 sheep, and 176,000 horses in the State; the weight of the wool crop approaches 1,400,000 pounds; about 380,000 gallons of wine will be made this year.

A REMUNERATIVE SPRING.—Colonel Drake, of Titusville, Penn., is now pumping oil from his spring at the rate of nearly a barrel an hour for twenty-four hours in the day, and sometimes that amount is far exceeded. The net profits of this one spring are estimated at over twenty thousand dollars per month.

EXTREME COLD IN MISSISSIPPI.—The Handsboro' *Democrat* of late date says: "One of our citizens had three oxen frozen to death during the cold spell of last week. The orange trees were killed, as are turnips and cabbages! It was decidedly the coldest weather ever experienced in this locality."

AN AMERICAN VOLCANO.—Mount Baker, Washington Territory, is reported by the passengers of the *Eliza Anderson* to be in a state of active eruption, puffing out large volumes of smoke, which, upon breaking, roll down the snow-covered sides of the mountain, forming a pleasing effect of light and shade.

MORTALITY IN BALTIMORE.—The number of deaths in Baltimore, during the year 1859 was 4,674—a decrease of 733 from the previous year. From consumption the deaths were 738; cholera infantum, 389; scarlet fever, 302.

LATEST BY TELEGRAPH

The Overland Mail—Details of News from California and Sandwich Islands.

JEFFERSON CITY, MO., December 31.—The Overland Mail, with California dates to Dec. 9, reached here this noon.

There have been no foreign arrivals, nor any vessels from domestic Atlantic ports since the last mail.

Business is even more dull in San Francisco this week than during that preceding. Sales are confined to jobbing lots, and it is an utter impossibility to move goods to any greater extent. The demand from the country is exceedingly slack. A continuance of the present fine weather is needed to improve it. The market droops throughout, and for provisions and candles the tendency is in buyers' favor. 800 firkins of old butter sold at auction at 9@13½c., on a long credit. June is lower, at 30@32½c., which is now a fair quotation. Isthmus shipments have prejudiced the market, and, if continued, will not bring over cost figures.

Clear Pork, in brls., is worth $17 50, and halves $9 50. Lard quiet. Bacon and Hams very dull. No activity is looked for in the next sixty days.

On the morning of the 5th of December, just before taking his departure for the Atlantic States, Judge Hoffman, of the United States District Court of the Northern District of California, filed an opinion confirming what is known as the Sherroback claim to twenty-four thousand square feet of land on Rincon Hill, and contiguous thereto, being some of the most valuable property in San Francisco. The claim is based upon what purports to be a Mexican grant to one Sherreback in 1845. It was rejected in 1855 by the United States Board of Land Commissioners appointed to settle private land claims in California. From this decision appeal was taken to the District Court. The people lost sight of the suit, supposing the claim fraudulent and worthless, and the matter went by default. The unexpected confirmation by Judge Hoffman produced intense excitement, but after a day or two the parties interested took the principal part of the blame to themselves, and have since gone to work in earnest to get the case reopened, when new testimony will be introduced which, it is believed, will defeat the claim. The property covered by the grant is worth fifteen hundred thousand dollars, and its prospective value is immense. Already the most elegant private residences in the city are located on it.

The Coroner's inquest on the body of Eldridge Gerry Paige (Dow, Jr.) returned a verdict of death from intemperance. It was previously supposed he committed suicde.

A report has obtained currency in San Francisco that the late Senator Broderick left a will after all, which will be forthcoming whenever an administration on the estate is appointed.

Judge Hardy, of Calaveras County, has decided that the owner of a piece of land to which he had a perfet title is also the owner of the mineral in the said land. He accordingly decreed in favor of ousting some miners who were digging on the ground for gold. This case will be appealed to the Supreme Court, and bring before our highest tribunal a test question of vast importance to the mining interests of California.

A silver mine has been discovered in Santa Cruz County, the ore yielding $82 per tun.

The trail over the mountains from Placerville to Carson Valley has been opened, since the late heavy snows, and loaded teams pass without difficulty.

A suit has been commenced in the United States District Court for the Western District of Utah, now in session at Carson Valley, to determine the conflicting interests of several claimants to the original silver mine known as the Comstock Lead. The plaintiff swears that already $700,000 worth of ore has been taken from the mine, and those now working it are daily taking therefrom the value of $20,000.

By the steamer *Columbia* later dates to the 26th ult. are received from Southern Oregon—new gold mines are continually discovered in that portion of the State. The Jacksonville *Sentinel* reports a new gold field in the vicinity of Galesburg, which prospects quite richly, and was causing a rush among miners. The miners at Jackson, Poor Man's Creek, Applegate and at Whisky Creek were doing well, and it was thought there were at least five hundred miners at work in the vicinity of Williamsburg. At Wells's Mills, some thirty miles from Jacksonville, rich diggings had been discovered, which are represented as of great extent. Snow had fallen in considerable quantities on the Williamette.

The King's private Secretary, Mr. Neilson, who was recently dangerously wounded by his Majesty while in a fit of jealousy, was in a very precarious condition. The King had gone to Lahama to watch the symptoms of his victim, being very solicitous for his recovery.

A recent assessment shows that the total valuation of all the real and personal property in the Hawiijian Kingdom to be $7,000,000. Total taxes levied for general purposes, $70,015; schools, $33,568; roads, $30,247.

Up to the 9th of November seventy-seven whale-ships had arrived from the Arctic and Kodiak fleet, with a total catch of 34,745 barrels of oil—461 barrels each; fifty-six vessels from Ochtsk, with 40,030 barrels—average, 607 barrels: and four vessels from the sperm whale grounds, 1,140 barrels. Sixty-nine more vessels were expected before the fleet of 1859 would be in. Oil at Honolulu was down to forty-three cents per gallon.

The steamer *Pacific* arrived at San Francisco from British Columbia on the morning of the 9th, with one hundred and fifty passengers. Her dates are to the 5th from Victoria, the 3d from Washington Territory, and the 30th from Oregon.

The news from Washington and Oregon is unimportant.

Mining operations throughout British Columbia had closed for the winter on account of cold weather, and the miners were leaving for Victoria and California to spend the winter, with the expressed determination to return in the spring, as latterly they had been very successful.

Mrs. Cameron, wife of the Chief Justice of the Colony, and sister of Governor Douglass, died on the 26th of November, at Esquimalt.

The mail brings sixteen thousand letters three times the number ever brought before at one time.—*Daily Enquirer, 1st.*

The American Express Company.

NEW YORK, December 31.—The property belonging to the American Express Company was sold this day by Simon Draper, auctioneer, for $500,000, and purchased by Aaron Freeman, of Schenectady, for Henry Wells, John Butterfield, W. G. Fargo, Johnston Livingston, Alex. Holland, and their associates, organized as the New American Express Company, who will continue the express business over the lines heretofore occupied by the old company, commencing January 2, 1860.

Outward Bound.

NEW YORK, December 31.—The steamship *City of Washington* sailed for Liverpool to-day, with $17,000 in specie, and the *Bremen*, for Bremen, with $311,000 in specie.

The Thornbyke Will Case.

BOSTON, December 31.—The Thorndyke will case has been withdrawn from the Courts by an amicable settlement among the parties interested.

Duel Between Branch and Grow Prevented.

WASHINGTON, December 31.—Hon. L. O. B. Branch, member of Congress from North Carolina, was arrested at a late hour last night, on a warrant issued by Justice Dunn, on charge of being about to make arrangements to leave the District of Columbia for the purpose of engaging in hostile combat with Galusha A. Grow, of Pennsylvania. He was held in $5,000 bail for his appearance for further examination on Tuesday.

Mr. Grow had yesterday engaged a hackman to call at a place designated to take him and his party at three o'clock this morning in the direction of Silver Spring, Maryland. The hackman did not keep the secret, and hence the arrest. The principal friend of Mr. Branch in this affair, is Mr. Winslow, of North Carolina; of Mr. Grow, Hon. Mr. Fenton, of New York.

Mr. Grow has also been arrested, and gave bail in the sum of $5,000 to keep the peace, and not leave the District to fight a duel.

Cotton-mill Destroyed by Fire.

PROVIDENCE, December 31.—The Touro Cotton-mill, at Newport, was totally destroyed by fire this morning. It worked ten thousand spindles, and was in excellent condition. It was owned by Wm. W. Bishop, of this city, and leased by Lippett & Co. Loss estimated at $60,000; insured in Providence.

Explosion of a Locomotive.

AUGUSTA, GA., December 31.—The locomotive *O'Connell* exploded at Marietta, Ga., on Thursday. Thomas Cobb, the conductor, and the fireman were killed; Wm. Floyd, the engineer, was severely scalded, and others were injured.

EXTRAORDINARY PEDESTRIANISM—RACE BETWEEN A MAN AND A STEAMBOAT.—Recently the steamer *Maple Leaf* was lying at Cobourg, N. Y., preparing to leave for Rochester, on her last trip of the season. A young man about twenty-five years of age came on board with his luggage and secured a passage. A short time before the steamer left, he discovered that he had left some books at the Grand Trunk Railway Station, half a mile or more away. Thither he ran at his best gait to get his books. While absent the boat left for Colborne, sixteen miles east of Cobourg, where she was to call before crossing to this port. When this passenger returned to the dock and found that the boat had been gone almost fifteen minutes, he was much vexed and disappointed, as he well might be. His baggage was on board, his fare paid and that was the last chance of the season to cross the Lake by steamer. After contemplating the expense and distance of a journey around the Lake, he concluded to make a bold push to overtake the boat at Colborne, and that on foot, for the delay usually attended upon getting out livery teams in Canada would give the pedestrian great advantage on the first half-day's travel at least. So away the disappointed passenger started for Colborne, following the track of the railway from the point where it crosses the main road east of Cobourg.

The steamer ran slowly in the fog, and was one hour and a half making the distance, but when she came to Colborne Wharf, the passenger she had left at Coburg rushed aboard, having arrived first, after starting fifteen minutes later. He ran a fraction more than sixteen miles in one hour and a quarter, which was good time on a railroad track, over ties, for an inexperienced runner.

When the man went aboard the boat, he was reeking with the exhalations of the skin, and panting like a fallen deer. He ran to the bar and called for a drink of brandy first and water next. He was permitted to drink a little of both, and would have, no doubt, drank a gallon of water had it been allowed. Mercy to the man compelled the bar-tender to stop him by force. The man slept while the boat was crossing that night, and left the next morning apparently none the worse for the race against the steamboat.

THE PRINCESS SAPIEHA.—The London *Times* says of the Princess Sapieha, who recently died in Paris:

Enfeebled by age and illness, she partook the Holy Communion, and awaiting with calm resignation the approach of death, seeming only to linger in this world a little longer that she might press once more the hand of her illustrious son-in-law, to whom she had during half a century looked up with a kind of religious reverence.

The deceased, who belonged to the most illustrious familes of Poland, was born in 1772. Her father, Count Andrew Zamoyiski, Grand Chancellor of the Crown of Poland, enjoyed the reputation of being the most noble and upright character of the reign of Stanislas Augustus. After the violent seizure of the persons of the Senators of Poland by the Russian troops in 1767, he resigned the seals and withdrew into private life, whence he was, however, subsequently again called forth by the voice of his country, which entrusted to him the digest of a code of laws.

The wife of the Chancellor, the mother of the deceased Princess Sapieha, was a daughter of Prince Joseph Czartoryski, of the Korsec branch. The great economy practised by this lady in all the details of her private life formed a striking contrast to the luxury then universally prevalent in Warsaw; but when Koskiusko raised aloft the standard of insurrection, this parsimonious but also truly patriotic woman opened her rich treasury, and silently poured its contents into the national exchequer, the people being then in arms against their oppressors. Such were the family traditions amid which Princess Anna Sapieha's character was formed. She inherited from her father's true patriotism and the virile virtues of the citizen, and from her mother the love of order and the art of making a noble use of her fortune.

SUICIDE FROM RELIGIOUS MONOMANIA.—A young man, known as Dutch Fred, aged seventeen, committed suicide near McKeesport, Penn., a few days since, by shooting himself through the head with a pistol. He had lost a thumb and finger in a machine-shop the week previous to his self-destruction, which preyed heavily upon his mind, and, combined with a certain religious monomania, is supposed to have caused him to commit the deed, as he was constantly quoting passages from the Bible relative to maimed persons being excluded from the presence of God.

HIGHWAY ROBBERY AND MURDER.—A day or two ago, at Putnam, Connecticut, a young man, James Collins, lately married, while crossing a bridge after dark in the most thickly settled part of the village, was approached by a man who demanded his money. He told the man he had none. The man immediately seized him by the collar with one hand, and with the other drew a pistol from his pocket and fired. Collins fell dead and the man rifled his pockets.

SELF-DESTRUCTION FROM HOME-SICKNESS.—Last Sunday (Christmas) morning, at the New England House, in Hartford, Conn., Henry Ashor, an Englishman, a cigar-maker by trade, while laboring under a fit of despondency and home-sickness, cut his throat with a razor, nearly severing his head from his body.

MAN FROZEN TO DEATH.—Alexander Cobb was frozen to death within sight of his own dwelling, Westbrook, Me., recently. He rode from Portland, eight miles, with a neighbor, and while going to his house lost his life, as above stated.

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