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This and That.

THE LATE SILAS WRIGHT.

The Batavia Spirit of the Times publishes the following extract from a letter from Mr. Wright to a gentleman of Batavia...

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[Speaking of that memorable number of democrats known in the political history of this State as the 'SEVENTEEN'...

Death is, annually, making fearful inroads among the little number, and the fall of each before the great leveller, has been marked by me with painful solicitude.

WEALTH OF HARVARD COLLEGE. The bequests made to this institution are enormous. In the annual report of the overseers of that institution, we notice not less than nineteen bequests...

SINGULAR MODE OF ROBBERY IN TURKEY.

Among the convicts I noticed a young Turk, whose spirits never seemed to flag, who was foremost in work as well as in fun...

He was a galangi, or sailor. He had been pressed into the service of the fleet at Constantinople, and was allowed to bear arms, which is otherwise interdicted in the capital...

'Here, friend, here is a fowl.' 'So be it,' said the merchant. 'You must buy it, in the name of Allah!'

'You shall which he drew his yataghan, and with his hand raised, said, 'Buy, or you die!'

'To my surprise,' said the narrator to Osmond, 'I saw the merchant turn round and make a sign, as I thought, to me: but lo! a body of three or four men rushed down the hill...

MARRIAGE.

Man and wife are equally concerned to avoid all offences of each other in the beginning of their conversation; a very little thing can blast an infant blossom...

PICKING BERRIES.—We were somewhat surprised the other day to learn that the children, in the interior towns, who occupy their time in picking berries...

AN INCIDENT. When the steamer Niagara, Capt. Kellogg, landed at the Newburg wharf, her down trip on Wednesday last, a poor woman from Albany...

On learning the cause, the Niagara was rounded to and came again to the wharf and received the woman on board...



WATERVILLE, SEPT. 16.

NOTICE. The office of the Mail is removed to Wingate's new building, Main street.

The ballot for State officers, on Monday, stood as follows in Waterville: For Governor—Dana 123, Fessenden 104, Bronson 84, Taylor 63.

This shows a very small vote, for a town that could throw more than six hundred. The rain must have had the same effect upon the patriotism of our voters...

Extract of a letter dated BUFFALO, Sept 9.

'This might be said to be a dull season, were there any such thing as dullness in Buffalo. There seems to be some suspense in regard to flour...

'I am told that a lot of 600 hogs have been fattened this season at one distillery at Oak Orchard. I saw a portion of that lot yesterday on their way to our market...

'The potato rot is just beginning to make its appearance here. This is later than it appeared last year; but I am told no section appears likely to escape...

QUESTIONS ANSWERED.

The letter from which we make the following extract is published in a recent number of the Railroad Journal...

You ask me if railroads are monopolies. At first our lines were not conducted on the most liberal spirit. Our early directors were timid, and the charges were fixed at four cents per mile for passengers...

Under the influence of railroads, and of manufactures stimulated thereby, the old Bay State has ceased to be an emigrating State. It receives more than it sends forth...

Let me reply that the former are in almost every particular superior. Give me a good and untrammeled line of railroad beside your Erie canal and its branches...

It can live, too, where a canal must perish for want of business. A railroad costing but \$18,000 per mile, can live upon a line which sustains but four daily stages...

In Massachusetts we had three canals. First the Middlesex, which your commissioners came to examine before they began the Erie...

You ask me the cost of transportation on railroads. It rises and falls with the quantity conveyed. When business rises to 200,000 tons a year, freight can be transported on a line like yours at a cost of six-tenths of a cent per ton a mile...

On the Erie canal, the average cost, inclusive of interest on boats and horses, but exclusive of canal repairs and attendance which may be offset, is nine-tenths of a cent per ton a mile, or fifty per cent more. A line like yours, with 200,000 tons could do a most remunerating business at less than two cents per ton a mile...

YANKEE HURRY.

Faster! faster! faster! When did a Yankee go ahead fast enough? No matter where you put him, or in what pursuit; everything is too lazy in its progress...

The most impatient travellers we ever saw, was a company of some two hundred in the night train from Boston to Albany. Saturday night at 8 o'clock, business closed in the streets, and nothing ahead but Sunday...

'What place was that we just passed?' 'Springfield.'

The questioned jerks out his watch. 'Furies! almost one! and they promised we should be in Albany at a quarter to six!'

But this was a select company. These were men who had no time to ride by daylight, and so took the night train; no leisure in which to regain lost slumbers, except on Sunday, when they could neither labor, swap horses or whittle...

At the latest dates from Detroit, wheat was selling for 75 cts, corn 36 to 38, and oats at 17 to 20. Business was said to be rather dull for the season.

VERMONT ELECTION.—Returns from a small portion of the State indicate a democratic gain in the legislature, but a considerable loss to both whigs and democrats in the vote for governor...

CROPS AND PRICES.

It is not easy to account for the present high prices of provisions. There is no present stint of supply; and accounts from all sections promise one of the most abundant harvests that has been gathered for many years.

But while high prices, which do not come legitimately from circumstances, are always to be deprecated, they are less disastrous than those which do not afford the producer a fair compensation.

The country mechanic, especially, is too apt to look for benefit in low prices of provisions. He is mistaken. Let him watch, and he will learn better. Want of a fair and healthy market for the farmer's produce, however easily the mechanic may earn his bread, always brings dulness to the operations of mechanical business...

MEXICO.

HIGHLY IMPORTANT.

It is gratifying to be able to give something that seems to us to indicate a speedy and honorable termination of actual war in Mexico. The intelligence that the American army has cut its way to the walls of Mexico, is received with full credit...

The news received in Vera Cruz on the evening of the 26th ult. by an express courier from Orizaba, who brought down the following letter to Mr. Dimond, the collector of Vera Cruz, to whose courtesy we are indebted for its use...

ORIZABA, Aug. 25, 1867. The Mexican Mail, which has just come in, brought the following intelligence, which I copy from the Diario Oficial del Gobierno...

Valencia's division has been completely defeated, and Santa Anna, after the first encounter, fell back also in disorder to the city; they immediately after this asked for a suspension of hostilities, and offered to hear the propositions of peace from Mr. Trist.

Another express arrived in Vera Cruz on the 26th ult. with letters containing the same news in substance and the following translation of the announcement of it in the Diario del Gobierno...

Gen. Scott's troops, who intended marching on Penon, turned at and arrived at Tacurba. As soon as the news was known at Mexico, Valencia's division went out to attack the Americans at Los Llanos de San Angel, and were completely routed...

learn, but from the foregoing statement it is manifest that Gen. Scott holds the city of Mexico at his command.

That Gen. Scott did not choose to enter the city is manifest; he was, doubtless, deterred from entering it by a desire to save the pride of the Mexicans, when upon the eve of important negotiations.

It is now supposed that the extraordinary courier, which left Vera Cruz for Mexico on the 12th, a day in advance of the regular English courier, was the bearer of instructions to the British Minister, to offer again his mediation, and we think we may safely say that he was instructed to do so if possible before Gen. Scott entered the capital.

We believe the instructions were positive, and no doubt they obeyed, leaving absolute confidence in this representation of the acts of the English government.

We think it reasonable to suppose that General Scott was influenced by a knowledge of this mediation, to trust once again to the efforts of Mr. Trist to negotiate a peace, and so spared the Mexicans the humiliation of the armed occupation of their capital; his characteristic humanity may also be presumed to have strongly influenced him to save Mexico from the violence of a hostile occupation.

The guerrillas are said to have numbered 850. The fire commenced at half past five o'clock, and lasted but a short time. At night tranquilly prevailed in the city, and a party of mounted men from the train entered the city and passed through the principal streets.

On the morning of the 20th, the train of wagons and the troops entered the city; the wagon train was filled with sick and wounded. Yesterday, the 24th, it was rumored in Vera Cruz that Father Jaranta had attacked the train a short distance on the other side of Jalapa, but that he had been driven back by our troops, with loss on both sides.

Intelligence reached Colonel Wilson, on the morning of the 27th ult., that Lieut. David Henderson, of Captain Fairchild's company of dragoons, and his party, who was sent out by Capt. Wells, on the 15th August, to apprise Maj. Lally of the approach of reinforcements, were all shot by the guerrillas.

An express arrived from Alvarado to Commodore Perry, with information that the guerrillas had attacked the place the night before, and killed a surgeon and two marines in that town.

Summary of News.

ANOTHER OUTRAGE.—MEN IN DISGUISE. On Thursday last, Sheriff Hollenbeck and Deputy Sheriff Allen, went to Taghkanic for the purpose of selling the property of Samuel Halstead and Philip B. Miller...

A FOUNDLING.—The practice of leaving poor children at the doors of rich persons, with a hope of adoption, is getting to be quite common. A case of this kind happened last night. A male child of about four months, was left at house No. 20 Pemberton square...

ILLINOIS.—The State Convention of Illinois has closed its session, having agreed to propose to the people, among other alterations in the constitution, the following: viz: prohibiting free persons of color from settling in the State, and owners of slaves from carrying them into the State for the purpose of setting them free...

COST OF CAR-RUNNING.—At the meeting of the Boston and Maine Railroad Company yesterday, it was stated by a stockholder, who is also a stockholder in most of the other roads leading from this city, that, according to the annual reports of both last year and this, the cost of running per mile had been less on the Maine Railroad than on any other railroad in the State.—Traveller.

MOST DIABOLICAL MURDER. We are indebted to William W. Campbell, Esq., of this city, for the following particulars of a diabolical murder, which was committed in the village of Clark's Corners, four miles east of Sing Sing, Westchester county, on Sunday last, in the afternoon...

POTATO ROT.—A correspondent of the Journal of Commerce, writing from Oswego county, N.Y., states that the rot has commenced in his vicinity, and potatoes were offered at 12 1/2 cents a bushel at Oswego, and refused, from the fear of their perishing in the hands of the purchaser.

tempted to escape; but when she had proceeded about ten yards, she fell a corpse. Not content with what he did, the monster, Northrop, attacked Mary's married sister, Mrs. Boyce, who was in the room with her, and made a thrust at her with the same weapon with which he killed the sister...

A CASE OF CONSCIENCE.—The Brooklyn Advertiser says that six or seven months ago, Mr. G. B. Clarke, a merchant tailor of New York, who resides in Tillary street, in Brooklyn, had a valuable silver watch stolen from his house...

FRACAS. We learn that a fight occurred at Drummond Town, Accomac County, on Monday last, between Judge Bayly, Member of Congress, and Mr. Finney, one of the Representatives of the County, growing out of the late division of the M. E. Church...

MISSING MEN.—There seems to be an unusual number of cases of late, of mysterious disappearances. Mr. Charles Daniels, an Englishman, first officer of schooner watchman lying at East Boston, left that vessel on the evening of the 23d ult. and has not been seen or heard from since...

BURIED ALIVE.—As Rufus Grous, of Litchfield was clearing out a well in East Monmouth, last Saturday, the stones gave way, and all came down upon him. The alarm was immediately given, and a crowd soon collected at the spot. On listening he was heard to groan. Measures were immediately taken to clear the well...

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THE LOST CHILD FOUND.

It will be recollected by many of our readers, that a notice appeared in the Argus a few months ago, signed by Jas. Wilbur of Bethel, advertising for his lost child.

The facts of the case were, that in 1827, twenty years ago, the child, a boy two years and ten months old, went out one day to meet the other children, and never returned.

Some thought that an old hunter, by the name of Robbins had stolen the child. He had been seen at that time lurking about the premises.

A week or two since, two of Mr. Wilbur's daughters, at work in the Saco factories, saw among a body of Indians camped there, a white young man, in whom they thought they recognised a resemblance to their father.

He has promised his father he will go with him to Bethel, where the old gentleman intends to build him a house, and give him all the licence he wants to roam about in the woods, in consonance with the habits of almost his whole life.

A GLANCE AT A MEXICAN PAPER.—By the arrival of the ship Agnes, we have received copies of the Boletin de las Noticias de Jalapa of the 13th and 15th inst.

The Boletin announces the arrival of Paredes in Vera Cruz, and his escape thence. It does not extend to the ex-President a very cordial reception.

THE BOSTON AND MAINE RAILROAD. At a meeting of the stockholders of the Boston and Maine Railroad, held on Wednesday week, the following named gentlemen were chosen Directors of the road for the ensuing year.

RAILROAD ACCIDENT.—The morning train of cars from Rochester ran off the track, near Waterville, yesterday afternoon. A snake head was pushing through one of the cars, throwing the seat against which it struck, with its occupants, out of harm's way, but frightening them only out of their appetites.

A NAMELESS ANGEL.—For upwards of a year past, a stranger lady has been in the habit of making a periodical visit to the Tombs and Alms House, for the purpose of hunting up and providing employment for the more unfortunate women of these institutions.

FIRE AND LOSS OF LIFE.

The house of Major Samuel George, of Seabrook, N. H., was destroyed by fire on Monday evening, and his house keeper, widow Jane Dow, perished in the flames.

FATAL ACCIDENT. Mrs. Wm. Lyon, of Perham, N. H., another lady, and a child, were riding in an open wagon, when the horse became frightened and ran, and they were all thrown from the wagon.

INDIANA.—The Senate of Indiana is again a tie, this being the third occurrence of the kind within the last four years.

FATAL RAILROAD ACCIDENT.—Last evening, as the New Haven Steamboat train was in the neighborhood of Framingham, the fireman, Joseph Jackson, went out upon the locomotive to oil the cylinder, and was not again seen until his mangled remains were found upon the track.

ANTI-RENT OUTRAGE. On Wednesday night last some desperadoes went to the farm occupied by Mr. James Weeks, in Taghkanic, formerly occupied by one of the Finkles, and shot his working cattle, the one in the shoulder, the other in the neck, rendering them useless; and cut and destroyed his ploughs and other implements of husbandry.

RECEIPT OF FLOUR.—For the week ending yesterday, 8,082 barrels of Flour have been received via the Western Railroad, and 5,475 by vessels.

WESTERN RAILROAD. Comparative statement of receipts for nine months, ending Aug. 31st, 1847, with those of the previous year.

On Saturday last, a child of Mr. John K. Gilmore, of Brewer, Me., about one year old, was burnt so severely that he died in a short time. The mother of the child had kindled a fire in the stove, and run, for a minute, to get a pail of water, and during her absence the child crept to the stove, where its clothes took fire, and when the mother returned the child was enveloped in flames.

The Protestant Episcopal Church, in the United States, contributed the last year, for the support of Domestic Missions, \$32,602; and for Foreign Missions, \$30,325.

ATTEMPTED ROBBERY. Between 8 and 9 o'clock last night, as Mr. George E. Tyler was going from his father's residence (John Tyler, Esq., Auctioneer), to his home in South Boston, he was accosted in Broadway, near the Rev. Mr. Fairchild's meeting-house by a man who inquired as to what time it was.

GETTING THE MISER'S HEART OPEN. The Legislature of Rhode Island lately pledged a large sum for a Lunatic Asylum in that State, on condition that \$70,000 could be secured by private donations.

CLIPS AND SHOTS. Boston editors are getting deeply enamored with 'Mrs. Partridge.' It must be owing to her skill in small talk, if we may judge from their quotations.

RETURN. We are only able to give the following returns of votes for Governor. Very few of the towns named have elected representatives.

Table of returns showing names of candidates and their respective votes across various towns.

TOOTH EXTRACTED WITHOUT PAIN.—The Utopian Dream of the Alchemist Realized.

There was a tradition among the ancients of a river, Lethe, of the infernal regions, by imbibing the waters of which the manes of the condemned were enveloped in oblivion.

FASHIONABLE SLAVERY. 'No man may think, or speak, or walk, or stand, but just as other people may demand; No independent citizen may dare To eat, or drink, or trim his hair.

MARKETS. BOSTON, Sept. 11. Flour. A Northeast storm has prevented arrivals, and materially interfered with the out-door business.

SCHOOL. MISS SCRIBNER will resume her School for Young Ladies on Monday, August 30. Instruction will be given in the various English branches usually taught in High Schools and Academies.

JUDSON WILLIAMS. RESPECTFULLY informs his friends that he has removed to the store formerly occupied by D. PAGE, where he will keep a good assortment of Domestic Dry Goods.

NOTICES. Resolution for discussion on Friday evening: Resolved, That it is expedient for the Freeman of this State to adopt the plurality system, proposed by the late Legislature.

ENGLISH LITERATURE. The writers of eminence and genius in the English language compose a numerous body, and their works are a vast magazine of riches which it is impossible for any one individual fully and minutely to explore.

DEATHS. In this village, on Thursday, 21st instant, Angelina Wheeler, child of J. A. and A. W. Rhodes, aged about 8 months.

ADVERTISEMENTS. TANNING & CURRYING! The Subscriber would respectfully inform his friends and the public that he is prepared to

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A BRIDGE TO BE BUILT.

PROPOSALS for BUILDING A BRIDGE over the Kennebec River, at Kendall's Mills, will be received at the Fairfield House, until Tuesday the 21st inst. Kendall's Mill, Sept. 18, 1847.

TICTION BANK.

THE STOCKHOLDERS of the Tiction Bank are hereby notified, that their Annual Meeting will be held at said Bank, on Monday, the 4th day of October next, at 10 o'clock A.M., for the choice of Directors for the ensuing year.

NOTICE.

WHEREAS, an Act was passed by the Legislature, on the 20th day of July, 1847, incorporating the Citizens of the Town of Fairfield and Smithfield, in the County of Somerset, of the town of Fairfield, Belgrade, Winslow, Clinton, Sebasticook, China and Albion, in the County of Kennebec, and Unity and Burnham, in the County of Waldo, into a Society by the name of the

WANTED. FOUR GOOD COAT MAKERS and Two PANталIONS MAKERS, to whom good wages and constant employment will be given. J. M. WEST, Sept. 16, 1847.

JUST RECEIVED, a large assortment of TRUNKS, VALISES, CARPET BAGS, &c. C. R. PHILLIPS.

NOTICE. The firm of SCAMMON & NASON is this day dissolved by mutual consent. All the notes and accounts due to the Company are left with SAMUEL SCAMMON, who is authorized to settle the same.

FALL STYLE HATS!!

OF AN ENTIRELY NEW PATTERN AT C. R. PHILLIPS'S STORE, No. 1 PRAY'S BUILDING, MAIN STREET, WATERVILLE, MAINE.

ANDROSCOGGIN AND KENNEBEC RAILROAD. The Office of the Treasurer of the A. & K. R. Co., is now established at No. 1 MARSTON'S BLOCK, (Up Stairs), where all payments of assessments on Stock may be hereafter made.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the second and third assessments of five per cent each, on the amount of stock subscribed for by each stockholder in the Androscoggin and Kennebec Railroad Company, (being \$2.50 on each original share subscribed for), has been ordered by the President and Directors of said Company.

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CARRIAGE, SIGN, HOUSE, AND ORNAMENTAL PAINTING.

THE Subscriber has formed a Copartnership, under the firm of GOSS & HILL, for the purpose of carrying on CARRIAGE, SIGN, HOUSE, and ORNAMENTAL PAINTING. Also, GLAZING and PAPER HANGING.

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FREEDOM NOTICE.

NOTICE. To all whom it may concern. I JAYLOR L. SMITH, of Fairfield, in the County of Somerset, have sold to my son, ANDREW J. SMITH, the remainder of his time, and that I will not claim any of his earnings, neither pay any debts of his contracting.

Attest JONATHAN CURTISS, Fairfield, Aug. 31, 1847.

TO THE LADIES!

White and sound teeth are both an ornament and a blessing. The best security for their advantage is to be found in the use of the

CIRCISSIAN TOOTH POWDERS.

This elegant Dentifrice, with very little use, eradicates the scurf from the gums, and prevents the accumulation of Tartar, which not only blackens but loosens the teeth, and accelerates their decay.

WILLIAM C. DOW & CO. Would inform their friends and the public, that they keep constantly on hand, an extensive assortment of FOREIGN & DOMESTIC DRY GOODS.

THE OLD STAND!

DR. E. H. KILBOURN, DENTAL SURGEON, WOULD inform his friends and the public that he still continues to do business, at the Old Stand, No. 2 MARSTON'S BLOCK, (Nearly opposite the Post Office).

where he will be happy to attend to the calls of all those who may favor him with their patronage. All discoveries in dental science, whether mechanical or surgical, tend to a practical improvement in that branch of surgery, should be made known by all proper means, that the public may avail themselves of the benefit derivable from them.

DR. KILBOURN has succeeded in making such improvements in the manner of setting artificial teeth on plate, as entirely to obviate every objection that can be urged against them; the solder used by him being of equal purity with the plate, and so prepared to neither corrode or produce the unpleasant taste of brass or copper while worn.

BARGAINS.

The following remarkably cheap goods may be found at G. S. C. DOW'S CHEAP CASH STORE.

20 dozen White Cotton Hose, at 6 1/4 c. 20 " Very heavy " 12 1/2 c. 10 " Fine Tan Hdkgs. " 3 1/2 c. 50 " Curled Bobes, " 10 c. Fast Col'd Prints, a good article, 6 1/4 c. Another lot of those cheap Satinets, 1 s. 1200 papers more " Pins, 8 c. Waterville, May 6, 1847.

LIVERY STABLE.

Silver St., opposite the "Parker House." WATERVILLE. Passengers taken to and from the Boats, and other places.

DR. D. BURBANK, DENTAL SURGEON.

MANUFACTURER OF MINERAL TERTH, CORNER OF MAIN AND ELM-STREETS, (Over Mr. Hancock's Store), WATERVILLE.

BOY WANTED.

As an apprentice to the Tailoring business, a lad from the country, about 15 years of age, would be preferred to commence any time, and Fall Inquire at this office. Waterville, July, 1847.

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