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his head. Three cheers for the Boston merchant! 'Not so boisterous, my boy,' said his mother...

The Philosophy of Beggary.

The master vice of the age is Beggary.—Every man is seeking to saddle his burden on some other man. The patriot loves his country...

How deplorably this operates on mental freedom and activity, need hardly be depicted. A. B. would naturally like to have an opinion of his own...

We must gradually cure all this. Our lads must be taught to prefer laboring for an education to obtaining it at a charity school...

Pronouncing Names.

'Call me as I call myself,' said a gentleman once, whose name had been villainously mispronounced...

'Here,' answered a gruff voice. 'Why did you not answer before?' asked the clerk. 'Treffery is no way to pronounce my name...

'You rascal,' continued the enraged officer, 'why don't you answer then, when your name is called? I'll call it once more—Ebenezer Mead!'

COMPUTING INTEREST. I observed an article in your paper, a few days ago, representing that a correspondent of the Baltimore Sun had learned twelve years ago...

During our non-intercourse with England, no American vessel was allowed to trade with her or any of her Colonies...

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A CANINE MAGISTRATE. The agent of the American Express Co owns a noble Newfoundland dog, whose blood, we believe, is crossed by that of a nobler breed, the St. Bernard.

WHISKEY AND MISERY.—Whiskey and misery, whichever be cause, whichever be effect, always go together. There has been, as is well known, a failure of the potato crop...

The Eastern Mail. WATERTVILLE... APRIL 1, 1852.

AGENTS FOR THE MAIL. V. B. PALMER, American Newspaper Agent, is Agent for this paper, and is authorized to take Advertisements and Subscriptions...

BOSTON CORRESPONDENCE.

BOSTON, March, 29, 1852. The most remarkable occurrence of the past week, has been the absconding of Rand and Brewer, the former book keeper and the latter receiving teller of the Suffolk Bank.

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with a fair prospect of a continuance for some time. Specie exports have not yet recommenced, while the imports of gold from California are quite light.

You may 'take my hat' on 'Leap-year parties.' What a delicious time you must have had! I knew, if the fair ladies of Waterville attempted anything of the kind, it would be not only recherche, but something brilliant, beautiful, bewitching, &c.

THE WEATHER, (be it known to our readers in California and Mississippi) is daily making progress towards a springly aspect.

Somerset and Kennebec Railroad. This Company was duly organized on Tuesday, at Kendall's Mills, by the choice of the following board of Directors:

DAVID BRONSON, Bath. EDWARD McLELLAN, Skowhegan. ABNER COBURN, Bloomfield. WILLIAM CONNER, Fairfield. EZRA TOMMAN, Waterville. SAMUEL P. SHAW, Waterville. EBEN FRYE, Vassalboro'. JOSEPH EATON, Winslow. LOT M. MORRILL, Augusta.

PROF. CROUCH'S CONCERT.—A thin house on Saturday evening led the way to a full one on Monday evening; and the best musical amateurs, (and of course the best musical taste) of our village, manifested their decided approbation of the entertainment.

WESTMINSTER REVIEW. Leonard Scott & Co.'s reprint of the January number of this Review contains articles on the following subjects: Representative Reform; Shell Fish, their Ways and Works; The relation between employers and employed; Mary Stuart; The latest Continental Theory of Legislation; Julia von Krudena as Coquette and Mystic; The Ethics of Christendom; Political Questions and Parties in France; Contemporary Literature in England; Retrospective Survey of American Literature; Contemporary Literature of America; Contemporary Literature of Germany; Contemporary literature of France.

COMMUNION WINE. The Editor of the Maine Fountain, now speaking for Temperance through Connecticut, writes from Greenwich as follows: 'At Stanwich I met with an article to which I wish to call the attention of churches in your State. The question of using alcoholic wine at the communion has long excited the attention of some of the churches of our State, and since the passage of the law, which makes no provisions for 'sacramental purposes,' some are anxious to know what they shall do for that ordinance.

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RAILROAD MEETING. A very large meeting of the citizens of Bangor was held on Wednesday evening of last week, in reference to the building of the Penobscot & Kennebec Railroad. The meeting was addressed by M. L. Appleton, G. W. Ladd, W. B. S. Moor, Mr. Taylor, Pres. of the A. & K. Road, and others.

IS IT CLIMATE, OR WHAT?—Madam de Steel said that 'In Italy men become women,'—but what the women become in New Hampshire:—

SKETCHES IN IRELAND. T. B. Peterson, Philadelphia, has published a cheap embellished edition of W. H. Thackeray's work entitled Sketches in Ireland. It occupies one hundred and seventy-two closely printed pages, and is a work that every one may read with interest.

GRAHAM'S MAGAZINE. The April number of Graham is capital. It embraces one hundred and twelve pages of as choicely-selected and well-arranged embellishments and letter-press as has ever been issued in this country.

THE AMERICAN ART-UNION. Hon. Charles P. Daly, one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas for New York, has given a written opinion of the entire legality of the Art-Union. The equivalent received by each member for the cost of subscription, is argued and sustained by sundry precedents.

GARDINER BRIDGE.—A bill has passed the Senate allowing the erection of a bridge over the Kennebec river at Gardiner. There is said to be no doubt but that it will pass the House.

That agreeable and instructive little work for children—"Forrester's Boys and Girls' Magazine," for March—has been received.—Published by Bradbury & Guild, 120 Washington street, Boston.

The young man who left the State because his sister danced with a shoemaker, has been cured by a box of "Russias Salve."

Authentic particulars of the Accident at Hurlgate.

It appears that Mons. Maillefort has hitherto been using cammisters, containing a charge of 125 lbs. of gunpowder, at each blast. Yesterday, for the first time, he tried an experiment with a new cammister or cylinder of cast iron. About two o'clock, having fired one charge on the frying pan, without much effect, M. Maillefort proceeded to let down another charge. There were two boats and five persons in the party: M. Maillefort and his brother-in-law occupied one boat and a young man named Theodore Southard and two laboring men whose names we could not ascertain, were in the other.

The effects of the explosion of 125 pounds of gunpowder, closely packed in a cylinder, were of course terrific. The boat containing Southard and his companions, was blown to atoms, and its occupants sent flying through the air. Of one man no trace has been discovered. Of another a headless, armless, legless trunk was picked up by a row-boat and taken to Stevens's Point, where it now lies.

Mr. Maillefort and his brother-in-law were in one of French's metallic life-boats, and so great was the shock, that notwithstanding they were at the distance of 40 yards at least from where the other boat was, they were blown some forty feet into the air, and came down in the river. Both were injured. Mr. Maillefort's shoulder is broken, and he is much burned and bruised. His life, however, is not in danger. His brother-in-law's injuries are comparatively light.

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cers and soldiers of any such company, battalion, or regiment, with a view to determine the quantity of land any officer or soldier is entitled to under the act, approved 28th of Sept. 1840, there shall be allowed one day for every twenty miles from the place where the company, battalion, or regiment, was organized, to the place where the same was mustered into the service of the United States; and also one day for every twenty miles from the place where such company, battalion, or regiment, was discharged, to the place where it was organized, and from whence it marched to enter the service.—[Ken. Jour.]

Sometime ago, Gen. Parsons, of Norway, challenged Gen. Perry, of Oxford, to discuss, publicly, the constitutionality of the "Maine Law," the challenging party assuming the negative—that is, that the law is unconstitutional. The discussion came off at the Academy in Norway, on the evening of the 9th ult., and was conducted in a very amicable spirit on both sides.

THE ANTI-LIQUOR MOVEMENT. The Harrisburg State Journal says, "Petitions in favor of a law prohibiting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors, continue to pour into our Legislative halls from every section of the State. In the Senate, on Thursday last, petitions were presented, signed by over forty thousand people, and since then large numbers have been presented in both branches. The whole number of petitioners up to the present time, is estimated at not less than one hundred and seventy-five thousand! and the cry is, 'still they come.' The friends of Prohibition in the Legislature are sanguine of the passage of a bill this session."

An erudite Woolwichian, writing to the Bath Mirror about the Rippings, develops a large research. He quotes, cum aliis, 'The abstruse and little read Sukkurios, who lived and wrote contemporaneously with Podalirius, and who possessed a knowledge on spiritual subjects only equalled by the latter. He remarks (vol. 2860, p. 5020), 'Closibus doobibus, et pluggis keyholeibus, spiritibus crackuspop.' Translated, this means that 'If you close the entrance to the apartment, and carefully insert a tight fitting opaque substance in the aperture intended for the reception of a key, yet will the spirits make their way through the cracks at the sides, bottom and top with extraordinary velocity.'"

THE LIQUOR LAW IN PENNSYLVANIA.—The Pennsylvania Legislature have amended the Liquor Law so as to allow the manufacture and sale of spirituous, malt and vinous liquors in quantities of not less than 31 gallons, the manufacture to be directly from agricultural products. It was further amended by inserting a section, fixing the next general election as the time at which the law shall be voted for.

Judge McClure of Pittsburg, in his charge to the Grand Jury, pronounced a high eulogium on the Maine Liquor Law, and declared it to be constitutional.

The Brewers of Pittsburg, have sent a strong remonstrance to the Legislature against the Maine Liquor Law.—[Boston Journal.]

DEATH OF AN OLD PRINTER.—Samuel Preston, editor of the Huron Reflector, in descending his office stairs, on the evening of the 3d instant, fell and fractured his skull, so that he died next morning. He was in his 74th year, and worked at the business to the time of the accident. He learned his trade in the Boston Palladium office, published the Farmers' Cabinet, at Keene, New Hampshire, which he left in 1891, came to Ohio in 1819, and in 1830 became senior editor of the Reflector.—He was much respected, filled respectively a number of responsible offices, and left not a personal enemy.—[Cleveland Herald.]

ROSE INSECTS.—If our lady readers are desirous of keeping their rose bushes from the small vermin that so frequently infest them, the following remedy will be found a most effectual one:—To three gallons of water add one peck of soot and one quart of unslacked lime. Stir it well—let it stand for twenty-four hours, and when the soot rises to the surface, skim it off. Use a syringe for applying it.

CAPTURED.—The capture of Caravajal by General Harney, is confirmed at New Orleans by letters from the Rio Grande, and the Gibraltar war there is said to be consequently at an end.

THE STEAM FIRE ENGINE, it is said, recently performed as follows, in Cincinnati. Four minutes and a half after the fire had been kindled under the boiler, steam was raised, and engine set in motion, and in forty seconds more, water was forced through two hundred and fifty feet of hose, and thrown to a height of one hundred and forty feet through a three-fourths inch pipe. A stream was thrown from one hundred twenty to one hundred thirty feet steadily for fifteen minutes.

'The boys,' must stand back, now. APPEARANCE. One-half the want in the market is caused by people looking on this, that, and the other as employment as not being genteel. Almost any young lady would rather starve by converting Berlin wool into vermilion by taking in washing at a dollar a dozen; while there is scarcely one young man in a thousand now unemployed, but would rather measure tape at twelve dollars a month than drive a stage at nine dollars a week.—[Eastport Sentinel.]

Father Drew, in the last Banner, while speaking of the new paper mill at Skowhegan, speaks thus:—'We are heartily glad to see such an establishment on our river—on ours? Will the Legislature allow us to call it such? Does our worthy friend have reference to the river above or below the Dam? He may well call it 'ours' (i. e. the Augusta people) above the Dam, or why control its waters, and for a space below by the erection of a Bridge without a Draw.—[Gardiner Transcript.]

Margaretta, the mistress of Otto Grungriser has made a confession that she is the murderer of his wife, it was her intention to kill both him and his wife, but relenting she spared him, and took him to Brooklyn to drink new milk, for removal of the poison. She had gone to Albany to make her full confession to Gov. Hunt.

A BIG CALE. Mr. Thomas Whitehouse, of Vassalboro', has a cow that recently produced a fine calf whose weight was one hundred and twenty-three pounds! We believe this is the largest one yet. Who beats it? The same cow, last year, had a calf that weighed 111 pounds.—[Farmer.]

Kossuth arrived at N. Orleans on the 26th. No preparations were made to receive him, and but little excitement was shown.

