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☞ WOOD! WOOD!! Those persons who promised us wood, are requested to bring it along, as we stand in need of it.

☞ That portion of the Franklin Rail-road which lies within the limits of the state of Pa., was sold in Chambersburg, on Friday last for the sum of $16,000. We understand that the purchase was made by a company from New York.

No doubt it is the intention of the purchasers to continue said road to the C. and O. Canal, or B. and O. R. Road. We think that a connection with either of the above improvements, would render the road productive. As it is; it is almost a dead investment. Williamsport would be the point, if they design to connect with the Canal: and if the Rail-Road, the route would be past our place. We shall look with solicitude, for the determination of the Company.

WILLIAMSPORT MD.—We paid a flying visit to this old home of ours, last Saturday. It stands where we left it several years ago. But few improvements have taken place since we left; yet from present indications, we are of the opinion that her day of redemption is fast drawing nigh. We took a view of a part of the Martinsburg and Potomac Turnpike. They have graded the hill above the Ferry; & it makes one's heart glad to look upon the improvement. We have had some experience in riding over those Virginia roads. The contemplated Turnpike to connect Williamsport with Green Castle, has been surveyed, and the contracts for constructing the road, were to have been given out on Saturday last.

When those roads are completed we cannot see why Williamsport should not be the first town (in point of trade) in Western Maryland, except Cumberland. The trade on the Canal will, as a matter of consequence, bring a vast amount of trade. It is surprizing that Capitalists have not invested funds in building factories at that place; as the water power is great, and the channels for conveying the raw materials to, and manufactured articles away, are numerous and cheap.

Williamsport has the material to make herself independent, if she would stand upon her own rights. We can tell what has been an injury to that place, as well as this. Both towns contain individuals who would sooner purchase articles at Hagerstown, than at their own home; and for why? Simply because they have formed an erroneous idea that in a large town they get better bargains. This is a wide mistake. It is true that they may "*bait*" you in one or two articles, to make a noise; but they will take good care to put the tarriff on other articles. Hagerstown supports herself & the inhabitants of the surrounding towns should do likewise. We shall revert to this subject again hereafter.

A MAN AND WIFE POISONED.—Mr. D. D. Paxton and his wife of Williamsport Md., were poisoned last week, from the effect of eating Apple-Butter which contained lead extracted from badly glazed crocks, or the verdigris from the kettle in which it was boiled. Mr. Paxton made a narrow escape from death. He is now improving; but his wife lies in a very critical state, and is not expected to recover.

MORE BLOODY WORK IN BALTIMORE. Parties while on their road to the Firemen's Ball, on Monday night, was attacked by a set of ruffins. In the several melees, several persons were shot. A young man named John Michael was shot dead. Awful times truly.

On Sunday Evening, officer Logue was attacked by a set of rowdies, and compelled to shot one of them down. His comrades carried him off.

TRIP TO LONDON.—The U. S. steamship Fredonia has been designated as the vessel to convey to London articles from the United States for exhibition at the World's Fair.

This will be a capital opportunity for persons to have works of art, natural curiosities, &c, conveyed to London, free of charge. Our neighbor in his last, asked our opinion about having the Clearspring "natural curiosity" there: which he says, "would be hard to beat," "if it could only be got there."

Bravo! Barnum stand back! If Clearspring be represented in the Great [illegible]s Fair; by the presence of her "natural curiosity;" then there will be no need of Jenny Lind's presence. Our readers read an account some months ago, in the columns of the *Sentinel*, of the grand discovery of a new race of creatures, discovered in the Eastern wilds; that appeared to be a combination of man and the orang-outang. The most *prominent* feature of their organization is; that they have a *bona fide* TAIL, like unto the monkey. The "natural curiosity we have here," is more remarkably than the Eastern one. The grand difference is, that the TAIL, (in the Clearspring "*curiosity*,") has grown out midway between the lower *lip* and *chin*. But our neighbor exclaims, "*if it could only be got there*" There's the rub. We learn that certain preliminary arrangements, (which we anticipate will bring some of the good things of this life, to our sanctum;) will prevent the curiosity from taking a trip to the fair.

"*What think ye—neighbor?*" Capital! We will turn Barnum No. 2, and take you under my charge; and—and—and divide the profits with you. Put off that affair and go. Will you neighbor? Sooner than miss, we would be willing that the Col. should be a partner and have a third of the profits.

IMMENSE MASS MEETING.—A tremendous meeting, without respects to party politics, was held at New York, on Wednesday last. A number of patriotic speeches were made by distinguished Democratics and Whigs, who preferred "the Union" to party. This was sensible and right. At the time that South Carolina nullified, and General Jackson issued his memorable manifesto to the people of that state: declaring his determination to enforce a compliance to the Laws of the U. States; the Bostonians applauded the General for his noble devotion to the constitution of the Union. Now the table is turned and the North has become the nulifiers, and the South demands the North to be brought under subjection. We are pleased to see that President Fillmore is equal to the emergency, and in immitation of "Old Hickory;" has issued orders to the Secretary of the Army and Navy, directing them to have the U. States land and naval forces, in readiness, to aid the Marshals in enforcing the Fugitive Slave Law.

REVIVAL OF RELIGION.—A glorious Revival of Religion is now in progress, in the Methodist Protestant Church, at Williamsport Md. From twenty to thirty souls have professed conversion.

Rev. F. Stier, J. Elderdice, and J. R. Nichols, are the ministers laboring in the good work.

In a few weeks they design to commence a Protracted Meeting in this place. There is any quantity of "raw material" to work upon here.

INDIANA.—The Convention now in session, to reform the constitution of that state; have a proposition now before them, to prevent free negroes from settling in the state. In Ohio the colored people who come into the state, are compelled to give security for their good behavior, and their not becoming a burden to the counties.

POSTMASTERS.—Mr. Kintley, the Whig Postmaster at Leesburg, Va., has been removed and J. L. Hunt appointed in his place.

BAD CONDUCT.—A set of striplings, backed by a few men who should have sense enough to act better; are in the habit of attending different night meetings; with no other purpose than to cut up and misbehave. It is high time that a stop be put to such flagrant and disgraceful conduct. They run in and out like Goats; stamping and make as much noise as they possibly can, to annoy the meeting in a sneaking and cowardly manner.

On last Sabbath night after being reproved in the meeting house, they hooped, hollowed, made various unmeaning sounds &c., in order to annoy persons as they were going home. Hereafter any misconduct at either of the meetings in town, or of molesting persons on their road going to, or returning home from the same; will be punished according to law, by information being left at this office. There was a time that tried men's souls; about 1800 years ago.—Men were found adequate to the emergency of the case. Thank God, there are a few yet left, who are not afraid to perform their duty, regardless of all consequences. So look out boys.

JOHN MCDONOGH.—This individual who recently died in New Orleans, has left an estate valued at FIFTEEN MILLIONS OF DOLLARS. After bequeathing $6,000 and some landed property, in the city of Baltimore, to his sister, (Mrs. Cole) who resides there; he wills $400,000 dollars to the Protestant Male Orphan Asylum, of New Orleans. To establish a school-farm and Asylum for the poor, of Baltimore in this state, the large sum of *Three Millions of Dollars*, to be paid in yearly installments. The Picayune says:

"The estate, after the annuities above mentioned are paid, and a number of negroes, named, are freed and sent to Africa, to be managed by a certain number of commissioners appointed by this city and Baltimore; no commissioner to be a member of any council; to serve more than twelve months, or twice in succession. The two cities to act as check on each other. None of the property ever to be sold, but to remain forever as a fund for the above charitable purposes.

A large sum is bequeathed to the American Colonization Society at Washington. After all these bequests are settled, which the donor expects will be in forty years from now the entire estate to be divided between the States of Lousiana and Maryland, and the Legislatures to carry out the objects proposed. If the commissioners do not follow his instructions, the estate to fall immediately to the two States. Every precaution is taken to prevent these noble bequests from being diverted from their original purpose. The instuctions to carry them out are full and minute.

Many high-minded and benevolent sentiments concerning education, mortality, the duties of the poor and rich, & preservation of the Union are to be found in the will."

He is represented to own real estate in nearly every parish in the state, besides a vast amount in the city. His yearly income from the town property, is 200,000 dollars.

WORTH REMEMBERING.—People who are always talking sentiment have usually not very deep feelings. The less water you have in your kettle, the sooner it begins to make a noise and smoke. *Flag.*

☞ True as Gospel. We copy the above for the especial edification of a few of our townsmen. We have a pair or so; who we can only compare to young hungry robins. Their mouths are almost incessantly in beat.—They would fain make the *world* believe that they are *smart*; when in reality they are using borrowed plumes to show off in.

If you would listen to some of these *men of learning*, and were not acquainted with them, you would think them the ghosts of some of the old Philosophers. Nothing (?) is able to compete with them in either knowledge or diction!—Perfect Solomons. It's a great pity the human family does not put a proper estimate on their merits. If they did—*stand back Daniel.*

☞ Be not weary in well-doing. ☜

SENTENCE OF DEATH.—At Cumberland on Tuesday, Judge Martin passed sentence of death upon Thomas McLaughlin, convicted of the murder of his wife. In answer to the question, "If he had anything to say, why sentence of death should not be passed upon him?" the prisoner arose, and in a hurried manner, spoke as follows:

"May it plase your honors, I have not much to say why sentence should not be passed on me. I have not had justice done me. If I had been country born—if I had have been among friends, I would have had justice;—but I am in a strange land and among strangers. So help me God, I am not in the wrong.—I shall make my confession to the Priest; and after I am gone, it will be known that I am innocent. So help me God, I am not in the wrong—but I am willing to be hanged, thanks be to God. I would rather be hanged seven times over when innocent than once when in the wrong."

Chief Justice Martin thereupon discharged the painful duty imposed upon the Court, in a most feeling and impressive manner.

CHILD LOST AND FOUND.—The Catoctin Whig gives a detailed account of a little girl, daughter of Daniel Deafauver, having been lost in the mountains. The whole town turned out in the search, and not less than 200 persons were soon in the mountains, but no trace could be found of the child. Most of them had returned and were preparing to start out a second time, when the signal, a horn, announced that the child was found.—She had wandered five miles through an almost impassable woods and finally reached a clearing, where she was taken in and provided for during the night by Mrs. Stine. They returned in a triumphal procession.

FLYING IN THE AIR.—A flying machine projector undertook to ascend from Jersey City, on Wednesday, in his balloon. The balloon went up sufficiently to clear the earth, but unfortunately it *landed*, as a Hibernian would say, in the Morris Canal; and the enterprising inventor found himself floating in an element more buoyant than the atmosphere. A boat rescued him, but the balloon took a flight upward, and was soon out of sight.

STATE ELECTIONS.—On Tuesday last, Illinois, Wisconsin, New York, New Jersey and Michigan voted for Congressman. The complexion of the present members is—37 Whigs, 11 Democrats, and 2 Free soil. On Monday next Massachusetts will elect 7 and on the day following Delaware 1. The 8 last named are all Whigs. The Whigs having 45 coming out to the Democrats 11, will render it rather problematical if the Whigs will hold their own, in the next Congress.

WELL PAID FOR.—An Oxfordshire wether that was exhibited at the late fair, at Baltimore, weighed, gross 290 lbs—when dressed 206 lbs. It was sold to Mr. Jackson, the proprietor of the Eutaw House, for upward of one hundred dollars. Mr. J., sent Mr. Fillmore a leg of the mutton.

BANK ROBBERY—ROBBER SHOT.—The Village Bank of Danvers, Massachusetts was broken into on the 31st. of Oct.—The watchman fired upon the burglars & shot one of the director's, sons residing next door to the bank. The father, on hearing the report, ran out to ascertain the cause, and was first apprised of the son's evil attempt and fatal consequences by stumbling over his dead body.

THANKSGIVING DAY.—It is a matter of regret that the States cannot all unite in selecting one day for a general Thanksgiving. There is, thus far, less unanimity than usual. South Carolina had her thanksgiving on the 24th ult. The other States, as far as heard from, have appointed the following days:

Maine	Dec. 12	New York	Dec 12.
N. Hamp.	Nov. 28	Penn.	" 12
Vermont	Dec. 5	Maryland	Nov. 28
Mass.	Nov. 28	Indiana	" 28
Connecticut	" 28	Florida	" 28

THE BIGGEST GOLD STORY.—A young man from Newburyport, writes, under date of San Francisco, Sept, 14th, that a party of fifteen men discovered a vein of gold 5½ feet wide, three feet deep, and had followed it 7 feet, it being over two thirds pure gold. "We have been calculating the value of as much of it as has been uncovered, and find it would be worth over ten millions of dollars."

By this Morning's Mail.

From Annapolis.

THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION.

Owing to the thick fog in the Chesapeake Bay, the Baltimore Steam Boat, with a number of Delegates on board, did not reach Annapolis until late in the day on Monday, consequently there was not a quorum to transact business.

The general impression is that Hon. W. Cost Johnson, will be selected as President of the convention.

P. S. The Convention temporary organized or Tuesday, by calling Gen. Benjamin C. Howard to the Chair, and appointed James L. Ridgeley, Esq., Secretary.

The Election in New York as far as heard from, the Democrats have gained 2 Congressmen. The Whigs elect their Mayor in N. York, by 4000 maj.

MICHIGAN.—*Detroit*, Mov. 6, 1, A. M. The returns, as far as heard from, indicate the election of Penniman to Congress.

WISCONSIN.—*Milwaukie*, Nov. 6, 12 A. M.—Mr. Durkee is reported to be elected to Congress.

The returns are also favorable to Doty's election.

NEW JERSEY.—Fort, dem. for Governor, is gaining. In Mercer co., Funk whig, has a majority of 8, a loss of 100 the majority for Skelton, dem, for Congress, is 65.

In Hudson the whig majority is from 50 to 100, and in Essin 144.

It is supposed, indeed conceded by both parties here that Fort, democrat, is elected Governor to succeed Haines.

Skelton, democrat, is elected to Congress from the 2d district—gain.

Mr. Alexander, democrat, is probably elected to the Senate, from Mercer Co., being a democratic gain.

A NEW DRESS.—The Lincolnton (N. C.) Courier, comes to us this week in an entire new dress. It looks creditable to its Editor, T. L. Eccles, Esq. We wish it success.

PENNSYLVANIA DELEGATION. Governor Johnston, of Pa., officially announces the election of fifteen Democrats and nine Whigs to the new Congress.

THANKSGIVING DAY IN MARYLAND.—By the Proclamation of Gov'r. THOMAS, in another column, it will be seen that he has designated Thursday, the 28th of November, as a day of thanksgiving and prayer, throughout this State.

☞ The Clipper states that a Mrs. Hindes, residing in Lee street, Baltimore, committed suicide on Monday night by cutting her left arm to the bone with a razor.

MURDER.—An Irishman, named Jas. Hock, was killed by another named John Sullivan, a few days ago, on the Railroad between Carlisle and Mechanicsburg, Pa.

ANOTHER RAILROAD.—The Westminster Carroltonian is urging the completion of the railroad from Owings' Mills to that place. Success to it.

ROBBERS.—A number of robberies have been committed in the neighborhood of Frederick, Md., lately.

Commercial.

Clearspring Market.

FLOUR (RETAIL)	$4 75	a	5 00
WHEAT per bush	90	a	90
RYE (per 56 lbs.)	65	a	65
CORN " " "	40	a	50
OATS,	35	a	40
POTATOES,	50	a	75
LARD,	8	a	8
BUTTER,	16	a	16
EGGS,	08	a	08

Baltimore Market.

FLOUR	$4 75	a	$4 75
WHEAT	1 00	a	1 12
CORN MEAL	3 18	a	3 18
CORN (white)	59	a	60
" (yellow)	61	a	62
OATS	32	a	36
WHISKY	27	a	28