



The President's Message.

Only that some scoundrel, who will undoubtedly be condemned yet to the shades of Erebus, cut the telegraph wires on Tuesday morning, the whole of the President's Message would have been circulated in our city printed in full on that evening. As it was we had it in full early Wednesday morning. The electric telegraph has made thought almost omnipresent. It is a most wonderful and invaluable invention.

The substance of the Message is a determination to occupy Mexico until a full indemnification is had for the war, and that indemnification, territory. The olive branch is no more to be held out by us. Orders have been sent to Mexico to secure the external and internal revenues of that country. Our army is now an army of occupation. More forces are requested to fill up the place of discharged volunteers.

The revenue is in a healthy condition, twenty six millions three hundred and forty six thousand dollars were received into the Treasury last year. The expenditures were fifty nine millions four hundred and fifty one thousand dollars. Twenty four millions one hundred and twenty one thousand dollars in specie were imported last year into the United States, and the whole of this but about two millions has been retained in the country.—A Branch Mint is recommended to be established at New York.

The Message is a long one, and will be read with interest by every citizen. Being too long for our columns, of course we cannot publish it. The revenue and the war are the main features of it, with the exception of the Postal negotiations now going on with the British government, which we hope will end amicably to all.

Mr. Winthrop of Mass. has been elected Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Omnibus Business in New York.

This is a branch of business in our city, the extent of which is scarcely to be imagined. It engages the attention of eighteen firms, with an aggregate capital of \$730,000. The greatest number of coaches run by any one establishment is forty—the smallest is two. There are 326 coaches in all, the annual license money of which amounts to \$5919. The number of persons regularly employed is over 800 besides the work given to hundreds of artificers in coach factories in building new vehicles. It is estimated that the repairs put on every omnibus before it is finally condemned, costs more than its original price. The iron tires of the wheels are an inch thick, and yet they need renewing every two months.

Is there not a most lucrative field here for investments in an Elevated Railway.

Steamboat Burnt.

One of the most heart rending and distressing disasters that ever occurred in this or in any other country took place on Sunday morning the 21st ult. The Propeller Phoenix, from Buffalo bound to Chicago, with two hundred passengers on board mostly emigrants of a very respectable appearance from Holland! was burned and every soul on board perished with the exception of thirty who escaped in small boats. It was a most horrible calamity. These poor people, after leaving the dangers of the Ocean, have suffered a most dreadful fate far, far from Faderland. The ashes of their bones are buried beneath the dark waves of Lake Michigan.

Choice Teas.

It gives us pleasure to be able to inform our readers where they can procure pure fresh Teas of every quality on reasonable terms.—The Canton and Pekin Tea Company of 137 Fulton street, keep the best assortment for a less price than any other dealers in the city. Their facilities for procuring all the choicest brands are such, that they are constantly supplied when at times other dealers cannot furnish certain choice brands.

Singular Accident.

The Philadelphia Ledger says that in a sugar refinery in that city a workman was badly scalded in the following manner. In the basement there is a large vessel called a heater: it is constructed on the outside of boiler iron and on the inside of copper, between the two metals there is a space for the circulation of steam, which was communicated through a pipe from the boiler of the steam engine.—The bottom of the copper vessel was round. A safety valve was attached to the steam conductor, which is supposed to have got out of order, and in consequence of the pressure of steam was so great as to produce an instantaneous reversion of the bottom of the kettle, and the result was that a portion of the heated sugar was thrown upward and came in contact with the ceiling, and falling from thence upon the man, produced serious injury.

A Whole Hog.

Mr. Duncan Smith of Caledonia, Livingston Co., is the owner of a hog which, for size and weight cannot be easily surpassed. He measures 8 feet in length, and girths around 7 feet. He weighed on the first day of June last, 750 pounds—measured 7 feet in length, and 6 feet in girth. Since that time he has not been weighed, but his weight is now estimated at 1000 pounds. He was 2 years old last August—is in lean condition and constantly growing.—Compared with other animals of his species he is a giant among pigmies. Should there be any attempt of producing a larger specimen of his kind, we will send him a collection of our largest vegetables and try again.—Rochester Advertiser.

Parisian Antiquities.

The workmen employed in the Place du Parvis Notre Dame, at Paris, recently discovered several curious objects. Among these were found two shafts of a marble column, a fine medal in yellow copper of the reign of Louis XIII, human bones, part of a spout artistically worked, an enormous mass of masonry, appearing to indicate the place of a monument of the Roman Empire, and the foundation of a little chapel, dedicated in the middle ages to St. Christopher. Crowds surrounded the workmen in such numbers, that the Prefect of the Police was obliged to call out a strong force of sergens de ville and municipal guards, for the preservation of order.

Odd Fellows.

There is a great and lamentable quarrel in this now wealthy Order. The Grand Lodge of the United States has overturned all the acts of the late session of the Grand Lodge of this State. The language of the Grand Sire is not to be commended as based upon the harsh report of the committee. There ought to be a courtesy and friendliness of expression even in hot dispute.

Canal Tolls at Albany.

The amount received for tolls at the Collector's Office at Albany, from the commencement of navigation to the first of December, during the years 1846 and 1847, are as follows:—

1846.	\$263,551 03
1847.	358,067 72
Showing an increase of over 35 per cent being.	\$94,516 69

Mint Oil.

The Detroit Advertiser says, the manufacturing of mint oil is becoming an important branch in the products and exports of Michigan. In several places in the State, mint is cultivated largely, and we understand, profitably for the manufacture of mint oil. In St. Joseph County, it is carried on largely by ex-Gov. Barry. The value of oil shipped from there this fall, of his make, amounts to near \$25,000.

Greenwood Cemetery.

Greenwood Cemetery contains 242 acres one half which is covered with woods of a natural growth, embracing the usual varieties found in the forests in this latitude. This the most extensive cemetery, in its superficial dimensions, upon this continent.

An Observatory in New York.

We learn that a number of gentlemen, interested in the erection of an astronomical Observatory in this City propose taking measures to erect such an establishment.

Wisdom of Ancient Egypt.

The following speculations of Mr. Wild relative to the monuments of Egypt and Ethiopia, and their signification in reference to the mathematical and astronomical traditions are not a little singular:—From out of the simplest triangle not equilateral he derives the figures of the three pyramids of Ghizes—admired by men for the last four thousand years. He proves that their size bears an analogy to the measure of the globe; namely, that the largest exhibits a portion of the extent of the meridian—the second, the size of the parallel circle on which it stands—that the third implies a measure of time, the solar year. After the pyramids, follows the laying down of the position of cities, which flourished in times of remotest antiquity. The city of Memphis stood on the spot where the "half angle of the centre of the regular hexagon corresponds with the geographical latitude"—viz. at 30 degrees north latitude, the very spot where the pyramids also were erected. He also shows that along the meridian, running through the great pyramids, there extends a series of numbers, by any of which it is possible to ascertain the position of the temples and cities along the Nile—and thus he lays down the position of old Nero and Ethiopia.

Radiation of Heat.

For domestic purposes and health, quantity is preferable to intensity of heat. It is preferable to use a large stove with less fuel, than a smaller one with more fuel, as the large one diffuses the heat more generally. The Russians understand this, and they have immense masses of masonry and bricks, producing a large surface, and they build a fire at night which is intended to heat the room the following day. An intensely heated stove carbonizes the fine dust floating in the air, and this is drawn into the lungs, producing pulmonary and other complaints. Rooms heated by steam, hot water, &c., are the most pleasant.

Selfishness.

Selfishness has no soul. It is a heart of stone encased in iron. Selfishness cannot see the miseries of the world—it cannot feel the pangs of thirst and hunger. Who will fight manfully against a selfish disposition? It grows gradually, and when nurtured increases rapidly day by day. Prosperity and good luck feed the passion. Silver and gold make it laugh outright.—Who has not seen the eyes of the selfish water at depressed trade? Who has not seen him leap for joy at the rise of flour, while the poor were starving about him? Selfishness is a passion of hell, and good men should labor to keep it there.

Singular.

A workman in ivory in this city recently found an English rifle bullet in the centre of an elephant's tusk. It is presumable that it lodged there when the animal was quite young, especially as no trace of the passage of the bullet can be found, although a dark line or seam runs longitudinally in the neighborhood. The outer coat of the ball was much corroded.

Damages Against Railroads.

We learn from the Springfield (Mass.) Republican that in the case of Benjamin Ludlow vs. the Western Railroad Company the referees have awarded the complainant damages to the amount of \$2,100. Mr. Ludlow, it will be remembered, was seriously injured on the road, some two years ago, by his wagon being capsized by the locomotive.

A Stuck Bridge.

The bridge over the Susquehanna, at Danville, which was recently finished and tested, is not in use. A dispute having taken place between the builder and the company, the former has taken up the plank flooring, and so made the bridge unserviceable. In other words, he refuses to plank the bridge till the directors plank the money.

Iron in Maine.

A quantity of iron ore has been discovered in Casco, in that State, a specimen of which has been melted at the Iron works of the Portland Company, with the most satisfactory results.

The Whitehall Democrat announces the close of navigation on the northern lakes.

Bachelors.

The bill lately introduced in the New York Legislature to tax bachelors seven dollars a year for the support of orphans define a bachelor to be—

"Every unmarried white male, unconvicted of crime, of good health, and fair physical proportions, and who is between the ages of 29 and 56 years, shall be deemed an old bachelor."

Heavy Verdict.

The jury in the case of the St. Augustine's Church vs. the County of Philadelphia, rendered a verdict in favor of the plaintiff, assessing the damage at \$47,433 87. This action, it will be recollected, arose from the destruction of the property of the plaintiff, during the disturbances between the foreign and native inhabitants of Philadelphia, which took place some two years since.

Inventors Institute.

We have received a communication from Mr. Roosevelt on this subject which will appear next week in our column. It is a declaration of Principles of the Reformed Association of inventors.

Our List of Patents.

Our weekly list of patents had not arrived from Washington when our paper went to press. This has been a busy and exciting week at the Capitol. Our subscribers will therefore excuse this absence of our weekly patent list.

Chambers' Miscellany.

No. 8 of this interesting publication is out and for sale at Berford's, No. 2 Astor House.

Will Faa, the Gipsy King of Scotland, died lately at Kirk Yetholm in that country.—There is a tradition in the south of Scotland that one of the Countesses of Cassills run away with a gipsy chief named Faa.

The Courier des Etats Unis, gives an interesting account of cholera having been completely cured in the case of Mr. Bruno Taron, an eminent French surgeon, by the use of ether.

Death has been riding on the gale. About two hundred lives were lost in the steamer Phenix lately burned on Lake Michigan, and one hundred and seventy five in the steamer Talisman, sunk in the Mississippi.

"Yankee coachmakers," an English paper says, "are stealing a march upon our coach makers. The uniqueness and lightness of their build has occasioned a quick sale for some carriages lately brought here from New York"

Of 138 males in the Connecticut State Prison 84 declare intemperance to be the cause of their present confinement and degradation.

A widow said to her daughter, "When you are at my age, it will be time enough to dream of a husband." "Yes mama for a second time."

Xenophon tells us of an Egyptian who was sent by his wife to purchase perfumes brought her a jar of fresh water

Distress is increasing among the inhabitants of Newfoundland, and meetings have been held to beg assistance of the Queen to avert starvation.

The Covington Iron Works of Baltimore, have failed and thrown a thousand hands out of employment.

Our armies in Mexico have been instructed to furnish their own provender. They are to take their rations out of the Mexican bacon.

The American missionaries are laboring among the Nestorians of Orimiah with the consent of the Mar Shimon their Patriarch.

A great Chinese doctor is expected to arrive shortly in this city from Havannah, Many suppose him to be a bigger humbug than the Junk.

It was rumored at Washington, yesterday that Pedraza a friend of peace, had been nominated President of Mexico.