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STAUNTON CONVENTION.—The Preamble and Resolutions adopted by this talented and patriotic body will be found on our first page. They contain, says the Lynchburg Virginian, a fund of matter for reflection, condensed into the smallest possible compass by one of the most sensitive and vigorous writers of the age—W. L. Leigh, Esq. It will be seen that he grieves at the abuses of the Administration, which it is the great object of the Whig party to rectify; and which, as all candid men will admit, can only be effected by a change of rulers.

The Convention was attended by many of Virginia's most distinguished sons, and its deliberations were characterized throughout by the most entire harmony and perfect unanimity. But one sentiment was heard—that the Spoilers must, sooner or later, be dispossessed of the power which they have so shamelessly abused. The Convention, in its declaration of the integrity of its Constitution, and the preservation of its liberties, demands a change of Rulers. Enthusiasm was the order of the day. A bold ardor in the cause of the country, a determination to sacrifice all minor differences, all personal antipathies and predilections, to the attainment of the great ends in view, pervaded and influenced all the members of the Convention. Its happy influence will, we hope, be felt

in every individual of the Opposition. The ball has been put in motion; let it be kept in motion by a thorough and intelligent organization, and the success of our cause, and consecutive elections of every opponent of traitors and scoundrels. Our glorious beginning will be of little avail, unless followed up by vigorous and unremitting action; but given us, and the People will triumph over the drilled mercenaries of the Executive, and bring back the Government to its pristine economy, simplicity, and Republicanism.

DESTRUCTIVE FIRES IN NEW YORK AND PHILADELPHIA.—A fire broke out in Philadelphia, on Friday night last, in a store on South Wharves between Chestnut and Market Streets, facing the Delaware river, and raged the whole night, a strong northeast wind prevailing. Twenty-five valuable buildings, including a large number of stores, 15 or 20 of the most extensive wholesale houses, and many large warehouses, were totally destroyed, together with a great portion of their contents. Several persons were killed and wounded, while laboring to arrest the fire or save their goods. The Philadelphia Gazette says, it was the second destructive fire which had occurred in that city, and estimates the loss at six hundred thousand dollars—a great portion of which will fall on the insurance offices. There are various surmises concerning the cause of the fire, which many suppose was the work of an incendiary.

In the City of New York, on Sunday morning last, a very destructive fire also occurred. The entire block of valuable buildings bordering on Water, Fulton, and Front streets, and on Broadway, was, with the exception of three or four buildings, entirely destroyed. Between 30 and 40 large warehouses and stores were consumed. The fire broke out at 1, and raged with great violence 'till 7 A. M., a fresh wind blowing all the time. The sparks reached Eldridge street and set several houses on fire, which were also destroyed. Regarding this fire, the New York Correspondent of the U. S. Gazette says: "Any estimate of the amount of loss sustained must, I think, be very vague, but fully one million is spoken of, a large proportion of which was insured. The stock of goods in Mr. Haight's Bill Store, which was totally consumed, was estimated at 250,000 dollars." It is not stated how this fire originated.

The "British Queen," with sixty passengers, took her departure from New York for England on the 1st inst. The remittances by the Queen, says the Commercial Advertiser, in stocks, bills, and specie, amounted to one million and a half. The specie shipped amounts to about seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

"We are a strange people," adds the Advertiser. "The Queen has gone; and our operators are already looking with as much anxiety for the arrival of the Liverpool, as they were for the Western and the Queen." Thus, with a surplus produce of our own, to the amount of one hundred millions, the product of our teeming soil for six months only, we are calculating from day to day, with trembling anxiety, upon the state of the crops, upon this little island of England, and the money transactions of a single Bank in a foreign land."

THE CURRENCY.—The Baltimore Clipper says: "It is, perhaps, not generally known that Virginia Bank notes are now selling at a slight discount of from 3 to 3½ per cent; even upon points within half a day's journey. Not only this, but upon several occasions our merchants have been unable to sell even at these murderous rates. This is horrible, and it continued must lead to bankruptcy. The profits at which our merchants are compelled to sell goods will not justify such enormous sacrifices. Is there no correction for such a state of things? Is it destructive to credit and trade at all times, and if not remedied must end in ruin to hundreds?"

The last New York Express contains the following in relation to the.

CURRENCY OF VIRGINIA.—The currency in Richmond, and the western towns, is now considered safe. What is the reason? The banks have stopped checks for collection in Richmond, &c. It is paid in notes of the Lynchburg, Buchanan, Charleston, Kanawha or Danville branches. It is paid for Northern funds, but is refused at any price; and if you send it to the West, it is well as for you to keep the remittance and sell it as well as you can.

In consequence of this, the brokers here decline purchasing Virginia funds at less discount than 8 per cent, because the bank note payable at New York, Pittsburg, Richmond, and Petersburg, which are almost entirely withdrawn from circulation.

THE SPEECH OF MR. RIVES. delivered at the late dinner given to him by the citizens of Louisa county, appears in the Richmond Whig. Its great length denies us the pleasure of laying it before our readers at present. The Whig says: "the speech is a most triumphant vindication of Mr. R. from the assaults of the Sinkers & Swimmers, and an unanswerable review of the impudent measures and dangerous doctrines of the Administration. The miscreants in office, will quail beneath so manly an exposure of their hypocrisy and fraud."

The Philadelphia Gazette states that President Van Buren is expected to be at that city on or about the 12th instant. The "faithful" are busy in making preparations to give him a grand military and civic reception.

The election for a Senator in the Kanawha district, Va., will take place on Monday next. The election for members of the Legislature took place in Pennsylvania and Ohio on Tuesday last.

The second vacancy in the Congressional delegation of Massachusetts occurs by the death last week of Hon. James C. Alford, member elect for the Franklin district in that State.

MARYLAND ELECTION.

The Maryland election was held on the 2d inst.—The following is the result:

CONGRESS.		
1st District, John Dennis (W.) elected by 50 majority over Stewart (V. B.) and Donoho (Whig.)		
2d District, F. Thomas (W. B.) elected by 160 majority over Mr. Pearce (W.)		
3d District, J. T. H. Washington (V. B.) elected by 1500 majority over Mr. Turner ("Independent")		
4th District, Messrs. Carroll and Hillen (V. B.) elected over Meers, Kennedy and Pitts (Conservative) by the following vote:		
Kennedy, Pitts, Carroll, Hillen, Baltimore city, 6316 6160 6098 Annapolis, 130 154 156 159 AnneArundel, 1914 1379 1251 1256		

5th District, Johnson (W.) elected over Davall (V. B.) as follows:

Johnson, Davall, Montgomery, 912 699 Carroll County, 820 669 Frederick County, 1583 1167

6th District, Francis Thomas (V. B.) elected over Wm. Price (W.) and Wm. H. Pittsburgh (Conservative) as follows:

Thomas, Price, Fitzhugh, Frederick, 1245 846 900 Washington, 2045 1927 20 Alleghany, 989 931 900

7th District, Jenifer (W.) elected over Ker (V. B.) as follows:

Jenifer, 4797 504 39

The above shows a gain of one to the Administration, since the election of 1837. The result then for members of Congress, was: 4 Whigs

dy, subsequently, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. McKim, gave the Whigs another member.

The above result is attributed in part to causes which will not operate at the Presidential Election; but (says the Baltimore Patriot) that it has been mainly brought about by the superior management, tact, and industry of the grand army of office-holders, upheld, pressed on, and aided by the patronage and MONEY POWER of the General Government, there is no doubt.

Maryland, although she indulges in strange freaks at times, is always "right side up" at Presidential elections.

HOUSE OF DELEGATES.

COUNTIES.	YAN. BUREN.	W. H.
Allegheny	2	2
Armstrong	1	2
City of Annapolis	1	0
Baltimore county	5	0
Baltimore city	5	0
Calvert	1 tie, and 2	
Carroll	2	1
Caroline	2	1
Cecil	3	0
Charles	0	2
Clark	5	0
Dorchester	4	0
Harford	4	0
Kent	0	3
Montgomery	2	2
Prince George's	0	4
Queen Anne	3	0
St. Mary's	0	3
Somerset	2	2
Washington	0	0
Worcester	0	4
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SHERIFFS.

William D. Ball is elected Sheriff in Baltimore, John Carr in Washington county, and Mr. Houck in Frederick county.

THE NEXT CONGRESS.

Elections for members to the next Congress have been held in all the States but Mississippi, and the result (according to the various Globes) is as follows:

Van Buren, Whig, Vacancies.

New Hampshire, 5 0

Vermont, 2 3

Connecticut, 0 6

Massachusetts, 2 8

New York, 19 21

New Jersey, 0 6

Pennsylvania, 17 11

Delaware, 0 1

Virginia, 19 12

N. Carolina, 7 6

S. Carolina, 6 1

Georgia, 0 9

Alabama, 3 2

Louisiana, 0 3

Arkansas, 1 0

Tennessee, 0 7

Missouri, 1 0

Illinoian, 2 2

Kentucky, 0 11

Ohio, 11 8

Michigan, 1 0

Maryland, 5 3

Rhode Island, 0 2

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We acknowledge the receipt of two Beads from the garden of Dr. R. S. Blackburn of this county—one weighing 111 and the other 123 pounds. They are the common red garden beads—though certainly of uncommon size—being 30 inches in circumference and 4 pounds heavier than any of the mimino specimens presented us this season. These are the genuine Whig beads, and will therefore be hard to beat.

(N. O. Bulletin.)

From the Buffalo Journal, Sept. 29.

SNOW STORM.—Our severe equinoctial storm, wound up yesterday with a fall of snow as liberal in quantity as it was unmelting in season. It was followed, last not by frost but a perfect congealation.

At a distance from the lake, on the highlands, the depth of snow, we doubt not, was at least six or eight inches.

The tops of the mountains, in the neighborhood of Rutland, Vermont, were covered with snow on Saturday last.

A GREAT BARGAIN.—At Brooklyn, last week, a wash stand and contents were knocked down eighteen shillings.

The buyer, on examining his purchase, found a drawer among a parcel of rubbish, a roll of bank notes amounting to \$5,000, and doublets worth \$1,000 more. The Surrogate took possession of the money in behalf of the estate to which the stand belongs, but the finder intends to test his claim to the money.

(N. Y. Jour. Com.)

THE FEVER IN THE SOUTH.—We have no accounts except from Mobile. The Mercantile Advertiser of the 24th Sept. says:

"No abatement of the epidemic is yet manifest; although the number of deaths the past week has not been so great as the week previous, still in proportion to the number of inhabitants, the mortality is as large as at any time this season. The number of deaths for the past week has been eighty, and for the month of September, up to last night, 830. A frightful mortality indeed!"

On the 21st ult. a delegation of the N. O. Samaritan Society, consisting of eight persons and physician, arrived at Mobile and tendered their services to the Mayor, to wait upon and attend the sick. A meeting was held in New York, on Thursday by citizens of Mobile now in the city, at which \$100 was subscribed for the relief of the suffering sufferers. A general meeting of the citizens of N. Y. has been called for the same purpose.

CUMBERLAND, MD. Oct. 3.—**MELANCHOLY ACCIDENT.**—A most melancholy accident happened on the morning of the election, which took place in our town. Mr. Folck, one of our most amiable, as well as enterprising citizens, killed himself about 84 o'clock, by the accidental discharge of his rifle—ball entering the right eye, and passing entirely through the head. Mr. Folck has left an interesting family, as well as numerous friends to lament his early and sad loss. Our whole community deeply feel this melancholy bereavement. Mr. Folck was one of our largest Millers, and carried on his operations upon Ewell's Creek—Cumberland.

The spirit of indecent revenge is a political party, is one of the most vicious signs of the existence of its principles, and the patronage of those who form its body. Disaster and defeat will happen sometimes to the best cause—but the cause itself is not injured, ultimately, by these reverses. When men know that they contend for the best interests of the country—for a virtuous and honest administration of its affairs—for a reform of all abuses, and the elevation of the most deserving, they may be defeated, but they cannot be prostrated. Even those who triumph over them, must respect them. Let us, then, whatever may be his political party, believe in his honesty, and believe him to be righteous, even though he be beaten.

THE REV. MR. MAPFITT.—The Cincinnati Republican states that the Rev. Mr. Mapfitt is laboring with great zeal at Lawrenceburg, Indiana. So great was the desire to hear him preach, that all business was suspended, stores and work shops closed, and attending public worship was the order of the day.

A NEW IDEA.—Unshackled notions are multifarious, but this, we believe, from the Barre Gazette, is the very best:

"Who was that man who swapped umbrellas with or one rainy day last week and forgot to leave his?"

Not long ago, the Administration majority in Baltimore ranged from six to eight hundred. Now they get a majority of four hundred only, and are shouting that it is no worse.

MIR. CLAY.—The accusers of Mr. Clay, (particularly those who were his old associates, but who have since estranged from the faith,) tell us that, although Mr. C. was a Republican, he has abandoned the creed, and gone over to the Federal camp. They hope thus to raise a smoke, by which their own desertion of their principles may be concealed. Where is the evidence of Mr. Clay's change? Search the annals of his life (says the Lynchburg Virginian,) and, with the exception of a U. S. Bank, the incorporation of which he opposed in 1811, there is no great subject upon which he has ever changed an opinion, since his first entrance into public life to this day: not one! He stands now, where he stood in '38, by the side of Jefferson. He changed his opinion on the subject of a Bank, under the pressure of an overwhelming necessity—but Madison, and the whole Republican party, are to blame for his change.

THE SURPLUS REVENUE.—

Kentucky was entitled to \$1,911,076

of the surplus revenue, ordered by act

of Congress to be distributed among the

States. We have only received \$1,331,757.39.

The balance due us, and payable

by law on the 1st day of January, is

\$1,579,919.13. This sum has been

demanded by Col. Davidson, (late Treas-

urer) as long ago as the 10th of May last,

and **THE WHIGS REFUSED TO PAY IT.**

The Sub-Treasurer of Mr. Van Buren

had appropriated the balance on hand to

pay the debts of the State.

It is an error to say that the new expe-

rience, which has lately been on a Canal

between New York and Albany, for

the purpose of propelling passenger and

and when the British army advanced to the attack of our lines, she opened her fire upon the columns, and materially aided in repulsing them.

After this abortive attempt to carry the lines, the reamen with their officers were placed at the batteries of shore. On the 10th January, when the final attack was made, Commodore Patterson had command of a few heavy guns on the opposite side of the river, which were intended to play upon the enemy's columns, whilst marching to the assault, which every one knew they threatened to make on that day. A strong detachment of British troops was transported across the Mississippi in boats, and having routed the feeble band of militia under General David S. Morgan, stationed there for the defense of the battery, Commodore Morgan having used the utmost exertions in vain to arrest the flight of the fugitives, was obliged to spike his guns and return to this side of the river. In order to preserve himself and his men from being made prisoners, he availed himself of the fact of General Jackson being repulsed in the most signal manner, the British evacuated their new position on the opposite bank the same night, and Commodore Patterson resumed his station next morning, and continued to annoy the British camp with an incessant fire of his heavy guns till the end of the campaign. In public orders and in private correspondence General Jackson gave the highest commendation to the valor and ability with which he had acted during that trying period. Since the peace, Commodore Patterson has commanded a fleet of gun-boats in various parts of the globe, and always kept up the exactness of the ancient discipline, and maintained with jealous exactitude the honor of the service. His original education had been of the kind best adapted to the vocation for which he was intended, and in after years he carefully improved his mind by study and observation. Like all men who pass their lives in the stirring scenes of the naval service, he was full of information and anecdote, which he knew how to tell with tact and propriety. He was of a most amiable character in private life, and was a widow (after to Carlile Pollock, Esq., of this city) and a numerous family of children to deplore his loss.

From the National Intelligencer.

THE ROHAN POTATO.

A few weeks ago, in St. Charles, Howard County, Maryland, samples of a crop of the Rohan potato, raised by him this season on his farm in that country. The potatos sent to us are of medium size and weight, being also perfectly sound. The following information concerning this valuable product, extracted from a letter which accompanied him, may be useful to many readers:

"The Rohan potato, lately introduced into this country, is remarkable for its size, extraordinary productiveness, the flavor, and farinaceous qualities as a winter table potato, or for stock. For experiments I planted separately two potatos, weighing each a pound, (being about half the size of the accompanying) and harvested from them 143 the which is rather more than two and a third bushels; and I have reason to believe my whole crop (about 300 bushels) will fully equal its increase. They are certainly a most valuable introduction, and I doubt not will be universally cultivated, giving an income of more than seventy dollars per acre.

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FOR THE VIRGINIA FAIR.

THE TRIUMPH OF DEMOCRACY.

Mrs. Editors.—The late success of the Loco Foco in the Maryland elections, has been the cause of a general alarm among the friends of Democracy. The Loco Foco exercised our town and vicinity. There was not up every thing necessary for the occasion. Mrs. Cannon-firing, Bonfires, Liquor-drinking, dancing, Dog fights, and all the excesses which one might expect from the Loco Foco spirit which has so boisterously manifested itself ever since the first arrival of the Old Guard.

Our friends on Saturday last, of course, had a grand time, and the event was given by the manufacturers on Saturday, and the 10th, the 11th, and 12th.

WHEAT.—The supplies throughout the week have been moderate. We quote good prime wheat at \$4.50, and the wagon price at \$5.374 and the wagon price at \$5.25. We find this morning that a still further decline has taken place, and the price of wheat is now \$4.90, and the wagon price at \$5.12. The receipt price is now \$4.50.

CIG. MILLS.—We hear of no recent transactions by which to establish a positive quotation. Purchases for money could be made for \$4.25, or possibly less. The waters in the streams around the city are very low, and the mills are doing only a very limited amount of work.

The inspections of the week comprise 10557 barrels, and 85 half-hams.

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CORN.—Sales of white Corn have been made at \$3.50 a bushel and in some cases at \$3.60 a bushel. Last meeting with committee in Shepherdstown, where Mr. Collier will bring the Committee to meet before the congregation, Friends' Meeting House, Oct. 5, 1839.

15.—Sales throughout the week at 70 bushels.

BAKING POWDER.—We continue to quote prime Western assorted Bacon at \$1.40, and fair quality bacon at \$1.30 cents, Western hams at \$1.10 cents, middlings at \$1.20 cents, and shoulder at \$1.60 cents.

WHISKY.—The market continues quite dull, and the transactions are limited. Sales of the last six months have been due on the 1st inst., and they are requested to pay the same, and all arrearages and subscriptions to the State Society. —C. Collier, or Charles G. Stewart, who are duly authorized to receive them.

Oct. 10.

The effects of liquor, glory, and Loco-focosity seem to exhibit itself in all its pride. How fortunate the Whigs kept themselves at home; if they had not, there is nothing that would have become of them in all probability, they would have been chewed up, for the Loco spirit had become so savage and inflamed, that a fool to vent its rage upon, it turned upon itself, and devoured itself—indeed, the right eye of Loco Foco Constitutionality, and its dupes, all in one grand mass, kicked up their own heels and the devil—all in way of celebration! At length, as all subversive things have an end, that had one too; but, as it that indomitable spirit was determined not to be smothered, as soon as it ended with the men, it ignited a number of others, who continued the exhibition with much energy, until the managers saw proper to drop that scene.

At another end of the street we were again regaled with the exhibition of more glories in the spirit of another Loco Foco, who had become so infatuated as to render it necessary for him to be taken in the hands of Sheriff and Constables, and then to the magistrate of Dr. White, who sent him to the jailor at Charlestown. Whether it was owing to his attachment to Wing-Dowm's prescription, or that unconquerable spirit which burned so gloriously within him, we cannot tell. After his trial, he was sent to the State Hospital in Charlestown, Virginia, and remained there to the end of his life.

On Wednesday, the 21st instant, Thomas Moore, of the County Court of that County, in the 60th year of his age, died.

John Farnham (ex-soldier of the 30th Regt.) died on the 11th September, at 50 years of age, daughter of Richard and Aretha W. Green, formerly of Harpers Ferry.

On Saturday last Mrs. Margaret Hendricks, wife of Mr. Daniel Hendricks, near Shepherdstown, died.

On Thursday last Mr. Abraham Hoffman, of the 11th Regt., died at 50 years of age, son of Peter Hoffman, a native of Germany, and a citizen of Harpers Ferry.

On Saturday, Sept. 27th, Mr. David Harens, of this city, in the 23d year of his age, died.

On Wednesday, the 21st instant, Thomas Moore, of the County Court of that County, in the 60th year of his age, died.

John Farnham (ex-soldier with regret), but I have no doubt followed by a genuine democratic tear. The glory which had collected around the centre of attraction soon dispersed, and with the beams of evening faded away, leaving suspense and gloom to be the recesses of the evening. The stars, however, shone brightly, and the moon, though obscured, was visible.

At this audience in the county of Loudoun on Friday, the 11th instant, Avery, a highly educated man, and a graduate of Princeton University, recited a portion of the 30th Psalm, and a portion of the 10th Chapter of the Epistles to the Romans, and a portion of the 10th Chapter of the Epistles to the Thessalonians, and a portion of the 10th Chapter of the Epistles to the Ephesians, and a portion of the 10th Chapter of the Epistles to the Philippians, and a portion of the 10th Chapter of the Epistles to the Colossians, and a portion of the 10th Chapter of the Epistles to the Galatians, and a portion of the 10th Chapter of the Epistles to the Thessalonians, and a portion of the 10th Chapter of the Epistles to the Ephesians, and a portion of the 10th Chapter of the Epistles to the Colossians, and a portion of the 10th Chapter of the Epistles to the Galatians, and a portion of the 10th Chapter of the Epistles to the Thessalonians, and a portion of the 10th Chapter of the Epistles to the 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The Home of the Farmer.

Still let me live among the hills,
Near to my father's dwelling,

There where the trees, the flowers,
Have I passed my early years.

My childhood's happy hours.

How oft beneath the aged oak,
Near to my father's dwelling,

Have I reposed with kindred youth,
Some playful story telling.

The birds above would plume their wings,
And raise in their happy voices,

O, sure it is a pleasant place,
Where every thing rejoices.

Surrounded by the friends I love,
And free from every fetter,

I am an independent man,
And wish for nothing better.

My little children round me sport,
So blooming, bright and healthy,

I often think that nature's gifts,

Have made me very wealthy.

My wife is all that she should be,
Kind, gentle, prepossessing;

I'm sure, if ever man was best,

Mine is the greatest blessing.

A Living Museum has been recently presented to the Alexandria Museum, by a merchant of this city, and is considered by all who have seen it, one of the greatest curiosities of the learned world. It is a perfect copy of the celebrated "Bird of Paradise," the cost of which is \$1000. It appears to be a healthy specimen, and the artist has paid great attention to the feathers. The bird appears to be in a healthy condition at this time, and every exertion will be made to keep it so, as long as possible.

[Alexander's Gazette.]

This bird is indeed worth the trouble of the owner to keep it in a healthy state,

but he will find his labor rewarded, as the animal does not thrive in captivity.

It is one of the most beautiful and singular animals. There are two species, one European, and the other American. The European is about twice the size of a pheasant, and on the tongue of which the Roman gastronomers feasted. A picture of the famous epicure, is recorded in Pliny to have discovered the exquisite relish of this part of the bird, and to have invented a superior method of dressing it. The flesh of the bird, though held also in repute among the Romans, is spoken of by modern writers as rather indifferent. The European variety is of a rose color, with red wings and black quills, and inhabits the warm regions of Africa, migratory, at certain seasons, to Southern, and sometimes to Central Europe. The American (*Pheasantopus ruber*) is of deep red color, with black quills, and is peculiar to the tropics. It migrates to the Southern States, and rarely, and very seldom to the Middle States.

The body of the Flamingo is smaller than that of the stork, but from the extreme length of the legs and neck, the full-grown bird stands over five feet in height. The head is small and round, the bill about seven inches long, light and hollow, higher than it is wide, and suddenly curved downwards from the middle. The legs and neck are exceedingly slender and delicate; and the former are so much in the way at the season of incubation, that the female builds a pyramidal nest of mud, lays the egg on top of it, and sets upon them with her legs hanging down on each side, like a man on horseback. They are gregarious, and feed in large companies on marshes and deserted sea coasts, upon insects and the spawn of fish, keeping scutellae on the look-out against disturbance. On the approach of an intruder, the sentinel makes a trumpet noise, which may be heard at a great distance. The plumage is as valuable as that of the swan, and the bird is caught by feeding a tame one in their haunts. The wild ones come to drive the tame one from their nest, a battle ensues, and in the confusion, the hunters spring from their covers, and make them prisoners.

[New York Daily.

A living and interesting relic of the past.—There is a tree at the corner of 13th st. and 3d avenue, opposite Dillon's Exchange Hotel, in the city of New York, which, from its history, is an object of much interest to the antiquarian and the curious. It was brought from Germany in the year 1612, by old Gov. STUYVESANT, and planted by himself, where it now stands, as we learn traditionally from the descendants of his family, and others in the neighborhood now living. This tree is now 227 years old; it has lost all of its original branches, but new ones have sprung forth, and it has borne fruit this season. It is known as the Spice pear, and is of a succulent flavor. The present aged and respected Mr. Peter Stuyvesant, at his own expense, has had a railing placed around this venerable monument of his forefather's horticultural industry, and doubtless looks upon it, as he ought, with affection and reverence.

[From the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

Remarkable instance of Longevity.—In the year 1809 there were living on the banks of the Hudson, exactly adjoining the County of Armstrong, a man named Farkiss Mathews, and his wife, both of whom had passed their hundredth year. Mr. Mathews' age was 102; his wife about one year younger. They both retained their mental and physical faculties to a remarkable degree. The old gentleman employed himself in reading and writing, and did not fail in twining his favorite sprig, when How much longer they survived our informant does not know.

Within less than three miles of the spot occupied by this aged couple, lived another pair then far advanced in years, but who continued in life and companionship until 1827, when their candles went out within three weeks of each other. Their names were Henry and Catharine Nulif. Mr. Nulif's age at the time of his death was 103 years.—Mrs. Nulif's 103. They had been man and wife for 80 years; and had supported themselves with the labor of their own hands until within one year of their decease. Their sons and daughters were all dead, and the last survivor of the ninth generation.

We know no instance of longevity in modern times so remarkable as these; and we think it questionable whether a man and his wife, both centenarians, could be found in the world. Yet here are two such couples almost within sight of the smoke of each other's cottages.

A great lie, says Crabbe, is like a big fish on dry land. It may fret and fling and make a frightful兜兜, but it cannot bite you. You have only to let it go still, and it will die quietly of itself.

[World.]

It is as well to keep out of the way of

though, or it may bespar you with its fin;

but that will ill brush off when it is dry.

W. N. & J. H. MCVEIGH,
ARE now receiving by Schooner Edward, Vincent, and other vessels, from New York, their Fall supply of

GROCERIES,
which with their Stock on hand, comprises, in part, as follows:

90 hds. St. Croix, Porto Rico, St. Eustatia, Guadalupe and New Orleans SUGARS;

35 boxes best double, single & Leaf Sugars;

33 hds. bright New Orleans, Porto Rico and Cuba MOLASSES;

25 hds. do. do. do. do.

155 bags GINGER, Java, Leguminous and other roots, and CLOVES, GINGER, PEPPERS, &c.

45 bushels YUCCA, GINGER, PEPPERS, &c.

38 boxes Tallow, LARD, and 10's, some extra qualities;

23 boxes GAVINDISH TOBACCO;

30 lbs. GARRETT'S SCOTCH SNuff;

40 jars do. HABANAS do.

12000 PRINCE CHARLES;

90000 CIGARETTES, CIGARS, &c.

3000 AMBERWINE,

95 boxes GOAT CHEESE;

10 cases WINE APPLES;

45 boxes and kegs COLEGATES and TOLAND SAUCES;

125 lbs. FRESH NUTMEG;

75 lbs. MACE, GINGER, CLOVES;

15 lbs. BEST DUTCH MARMALADE;

10 bags BIG BLUE;

3 boxes CUPERS;

150 lbs. S. P. INDIGO;

150 lbs. refined SALT PETRE;

10 boxes SAUZER'S MUSTARD, (in tin);

10 bags PLUMO and SUMMERS PEPPER;

15 boxes SPICED LOGWOOD;

50 bars KRONA SALT;

15 lbs. GROUND GINGER, (pure);

50 kegs BRIMSTONE;

100 lbs. best SOFT SHELL CRABMEAT;

10 boxes PAINTED BUCKETS;

25 dozen BROOMS and WHIPS;

75 dozen BED CURDS and LEADING LINENS;

25 boxes Wrapping and TEA Paper;

175 do. ruled and plain CAP and LETTER Paper;

1000 lbs. BAR LEAD;

DUPONT and BEATTY'S POWDER;

100 lbs. White Lead;

100 lbs. Putty—120 boxes TABLE SALTS;

15 sacks Superior OLD MARMERS WINE;

18 do. " Sicily" do.;

55 do. " Brown, White and Gold;"

53 do. " Port" do.;

52 do. " Sweet and dry Malaga" and MARSEILLE Wine;

20 do. and cans MUSCATEL do.;

65 boxes CHAMPAGNE WINE, (partly full);

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