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DOMESTIC.

**Trouble with the Florida In-
dians.**—The St. Augustine Her-
ald of August 27th, states that an
express had just arrived at that
place, from Fort King, with des-
patches for Brig. Gen. Clinch,
commanding the U. States troops
in Florida, conveying information
of the murder of Private Dal-
ton, of the 3d Artillery, who was
employed in carrying the mail
from Fort King to Tampa Bay.
—He was met, on the evening of
the 6th inst. near the Hillsbor-
ough bridge, by a party of six
Micasuky Indians. He approached
them in a peaceable manner,
when one of them seized hold of
the bridle of his mule, and an-
other shot him. He was then
scalped, his bowels ripped open
and thrown into a pond in the vic-
inity. The mule was shot, and
the contents of the mail, and the
saddle and bridle carried away
by the murderers. The cause al-
leged for the outrage was, that an
Indian had been killed in a skim-
ish with whites, and his brethren
were determined to sacrifice the
first white man they should meet.
A detachment was forthwith sent
out in pursuit of the murderers,
but returned without apprehending
them. A meeting of the Indian
chiefs was forthwith convened by
the Indian agent, and it is prob-
able the murderers will be taken
and handed over to justice.
N. Y. Times.

The Aikin S. C. Telegraph
of the 11th inst. says:
"Judge Lynch, pinned it into a
chap a few days ago, down into
the Run, in this district. We
have not heard all the particulars.
The fellow was found in the cotton
field with the negroes, and when
detected feigned partial insanity.
There were two others of the like
stamp detected about the same
time in Orangeburg district. We
learn that Judge Hang presided
there and passed sentence on
them."

Abingdon, Va. Sept. 5.
Thomas Hunt, confined in the
jail of Russell County, on a
charge of negro stealing and of
being connected with a gang of
negro stealers in North Carolina,
Virginia and Kentucky, escaped
from prison on Wednesday eve-
ning, the 2nd inst.—He had been
committed for trial at the next
Circuit Superior Court of Law
and Chancery for Russell County,
which is to be held on the third
Monday in the present month.
Hunt is about 27 or 28 years of
age—of slender frame—about six
feet high—and of a very dark
complexion. One of his upper
front teeth has a piece broken off.
He is one of the most consum-
mate scoundrels in the country,
and every exertion should be used
to bring him to justice.
Statesman.

Perpetual Motion.—A cor-
respondent of the Boston Courier
states that the long sought princi-
ple of perpetual motion has at
length been discovered by An-
drew Morse, Jr., a young me-
chanic in Bloomfield (Me.) The
following is the description given

of the general principle and con-
struction of this self-moving ma-
chine. In this age of hoaxes and
bumpers, we beg it to be particu-
larly recollected that we express
no opinion in relation to this mat-
ter.

"This machine is propelled by
air, acted upon by the changes
of temperature in the atmos-
phere." It consists of an air cis-
tern and piston—a reciprocating
rack, with its pinion wheels for
giving motion—a drum, with its
pulleys; from which the weight
is suspended and guided—cog
wheels and catch for maintaining
power—wheels and axles, requir-
ed for condensing the air—and
levers for changing the direc-
tion of the power.

The operation of this machine
is produced—as has been already
suggested—by means of the con-
traction of air, effected by the
changes of atmosphere tempera-
ture. By this power, a weight
is kept constantly wound up, so
that it shall perpetually and uni-
formly act upon, and keep in mo-
tion, any machinery to which it
is adapted. In short, the ma-
chine is entirely regulated by its
own motion."

It is added that Mr. Morse in-
tends shortly to embark for Eng-
land with a view of claiming the
twenty thousand pounds offered
by the British Government for
the construction of a self-moving
machine.

In a case lately adjudicated
by the Supreme Court of Pen-
sylvania, the principle was
laid down by Judge Fox, that an
assignment by a partnership firm
of a part of their property for the
benefit of their creditors, and
which stipulated for a release as
an equivalent for the assignment,
was fraudulent and void, even
though the property was the pri-
vate property of the assignors.

Homicide.—On Saturday
last, Jones Fuller, Joshua
W. Cochran, Doyle O.
Hanlon, James H. Myrover,
John Waddill and Marcus
Beard, repaired to the house
of Joseph Hubbard, with the
view of arresting him, on a
charge of a high misdemeanor;
and on an attempt to es-
cape, several guns were dis-
charged at him, which killed
him immediately. As the
subject will undergo a legal
investigation, as public jour-
nalists, we forbear to offer
any opinion on this melan-
choly transaction.

A Coroner's Inquest was
held on the body, on Sat-
urday night. The verdict of
the Jury is as follows: "that
upon the examination of the
body of the said Joseph Hub-
bard, they find that he came
to his death by wounds re-
ceived by being shot, with
two buck shot, which ap-
peared to enter his chest,
near the region of the heart,
and one in the head, by some
person or persons."
Fay Jour.

Five thousand dollars
reward has been offered by
an enactment of the legisla-
ture of Mississippi, to any
person or persons who shall
arrest and bring to trial, and
prosecute to conviction un-
der its laws any person who
shall utter, publish or circu-
late within the limits of that
state, the Liberator, or any
other papers, circular,
pamphlet, letter or address
of a seditious character. On
conviction of such offender,
the Governor is authorized

to draw his warrant on the
Treasurer for the same.

Accident.—As the loco-
motive on the Patterson rail-
road with a train, composed
of transportation and pas-
senger cars, was approach-
ing the depot at Paterson
last evening, an axle of the
leading transportation car
gave way, which overturned
that and the next car in train,
and threw the third off the
track. The loco-motive and
passenger cars remained
upon the track uninjured,
though the passengers felt a
shock by the concussion.
Mr. Spear, the conductor of
the transportation car, a ve-
ry industrious and sober
man, was seated on the car
at the break, and unfortun-
ately was crushed to death un-
der the load. No other per-
son was injured.

Curious Manuscript.—In
a list of ancient literary man-
uscripts and remarkable
manuscripts, recently an-
nounced for sale by the
Messrs. Southerby, of Lon-
don, is one with the follow-
ing title:—

A letter from the Earl of
Bath to Lord Norreys dated
April 16, 1631—being "A
proposal for the sale of the
Province of New Jersey, a
country almost as large as
England, belonging to the
late George Carteret, for the
small sum of between 5000
and 6000 pounds."

Thus it appears that one
hundred and fifty-four years
ago, the whole state of New
Jersey was offered for sale
for the sum of about twenty
five thousand dollars.
N. Y. Gazette.

**Melancholy fate of Matthias
the Prophet.**—We have just re-
ceived the melancholy particulars
of the death of Matthias the
Prophet, which we hasten to give
to the public.

When Matthias had completed
his imprisonment at Sing Sing,
he came by stealth to this city.
His first inquiry was for Mr.
Western, his former counsel. He
told him a piteous tale of his des-
tination. "I had," said he, "only
half a dollar in my pocket when
I left Sing Sing, and that I paid
for my passage down." Mr.
Western being a benevolent man,
and having a kindness for Mat-
thias, in spite of his impostures,
very readily put his hand in his
pocket, and pulled out three dol-
lars—"there," said he, "Matthias,
there's three dollars, leave off all
your nonsense, and go to work.
You have I see cut off your beard
—but your whiskers yet want a
good deal of pruning." Matthias'
heart melted. He gave Mr.
Western his left hand. "Here's
my left hand to you Mr. West-
tern, in token of my gratitude—
my red right arm I must reserve
for my Father in Heaven, whose
work I am called upon to per-
form."

Matthias then went to his wife
and children. She would not re-
ceive him, she would not live with
him, she utterly refused to have
any thing to do with him. Mat-
thias bore it patiently. He
stretched out his left hand—put it
on the head of one of his boys
and ejaculated a blessing.

From this place he went in
search of Isabella, the black wo-
man who is still a believer in his
divine mission. They talked, and
prayed and mingled their tears
together. Finishing this scene,

he took his departure to Newark,
to see his brother who lives there.
The public papers have told us
what befel him at Newark. He
was compelled to leave that town,
such was the excitement of the
mob against him.

From Newark he retreated into
the country, and took his journey
towards Lancaster in Pennsylva-
nia. One evening, however, in
one of his dreams, he heard a call
from Heaven as loud as the last
trump, saying, "arise my Son,
gird up your loins—go to Baby-
lon (meaning New York) that
wicked city, bear witness against
the harlot who sits in her island,
and saith—I am mighty, who
shall prevail against me?" Per-
suading himself of the reality of
this vision he retraced his steps,
passed Newark on his way to
New York, and lodged on Mon-
day or Thursday evening last (we
cannot discover exactly which) in
a small house by the way side.—
There he fell in with a couple of
men to whom he opened his mind,
and wished to persuade to accom-
pany him to New York on a
preaching excursion, as Jonah
went to Ninevah. The men
would not believe him. "Well,"
said Matthias after a great deal of
his fanatical nonsense, "to remove
thy want of faith I will show thee
a miracle. Let you and I jump
from the deck of the steamboat
into the North River, and verily I
will save thee and me from the wa-
ters." He had so worked upon
the imagination of one of the fel-
lows that he came along with him
in Powles Hook on the morning
of Tuesday or Friday last. They
both embarked for New York.
When the boat was half across the
river, two men were observed to
jump off into the river. One of
the men according to the account
of the boatman, wore a frock coat
curiously made, and was slender
in his person. This was poor
Matthias. The other was rescu-
ed, but he did not recover his life.
Matthias' body has not yet been
found.

Thus ends one of the greatest
impostors that has appeared for
years.—*N. Y. Herald.*

Richmond, Ky. Sept. 5.
Melancholy Occurrence.—
Judge Peter W. Taylor, of this
county, in a fit of mental derange-
ment, shot his nephew, Talton
Turner, son of Barnett Turner,
on Thursday morning last. The
Judge's nephew, a promising
young man, aged about twenty
years, learned from a servant that
his uncle was unwell, and in com-
pany with Samuel Coons [a coun-
selor of Judge Taylor's] immedi-
ately determined to go and see him.—
When they arrived in sight of his
dwelling, they discovered him in
the yard; but before they got with-
in speaking distance, he walked
into the house, and as young Tur-
ner, who was foremost, stepped
into the door, Judge Taylor step-
ped before him, and instantly fired
a pistol at him without uttering a
word, and then snapped a second
pistol at his cousin Coons. The
ball entered young Turner's right
breast, and passed out a little be-
low the point of the shoulder
blade. The pistol was well char-
ged with a large ball and buck
shot. The wound is supposed to
be mortal.—*Farmer's Chron.*

Easton, Pa. Sept. 3.
Most Melancholy Circumstance.

—It is our painful duty this week
to record one of the most distress-
ing accidents that has ever occur-
ed in our neighborhood. Two
daughters of Mr. John Christman,
of Saucon township, Northampton
county, one aged 19 years and
the other 13, came to Easton on
Tuesday last, in a light wagon,
drawn by one horse. On their
return, when a short distance a-
bove South Easton, on the berm

dank of the Lehigh Canal, the
horse became frightened at two
men who were lying asleep by the
road side. The way here is very
narrow, and there is a perpendic-
ular wall of at least four feet from
the surface of the road to the wa-
ter in the canal, which is here at
least 7 or 8 feet deep. Over this
wall, and into the canal, were the
ladies, together with the wagon
and horse, precipitated. Two
men, fishing in the Lehigh near
the spot, but so far below as not
to see the accident, heard a terrific
scream and hastened up the bank
to learn the cause. They beheld
a bonnet floating on the water,
and the horse, rendered furious by
the fall, kicking and plunging in
the most awful manner. Assis-
tance soon arrived, and the bod-
ies of the unfortunate girls were
taken from the water—but life
was extinct. It is supposed that
in backing off the wall the wagon
and horse were precipitated upon
them, and their deaths were no
doubt hastened by the furious
struggling of the horse. "They
were lovely their lives, and in their
deaths they were not divided."
Gazette.

**The Fayette, (Mo.) Demo-
crat,** of the 28th ult. says: "Gen.
Ignatius P. Owen, of this place, was
shot yesterday, about 12 o'clock,
by Mr. Joseph Davis, with a rifle.
General Owen, we understand,
died immediately, the ball having
passed through his heart. As Mr.
Davis is now on trial, we forbear
further particulars for the present."

A few evenings since a lad in
Baltimore fell from a four story
window, in which he had got
asleep, and landed on a brick
pavement, without any more seri-
ous injury to his person than that
it awoke him.
N. Y. Star.

**Remarkable appearance of the
Sun.**—The present appearance of
the disc of the sun is somewhat
unusual; there are to be seen ab-
out twenty distinct spots on its
surface, one of which is very large;
and towards the edge of the sun
may be seen extensive ridges of
whitened evaporation, which appear
like ranges of mountains. The
large dark spot above alluded to,
may be seen to change its shape
and size while viewing it, thereby
fully proving them to be produc-
ed by the smoke of volcanoes.
[May be so, and may be not.]
Providence Journal.

Genuine Wit.—The following
anecdote may be relied on as a
fact: A gentleman from South-
ampton passing along a street in
Baltimore, came face to face with
a negro man whom he well knew,
and who had been for several
years a runaway from one of his
neighbors.—"Aha! Mingo," said
Mr.—"is that you?" To which
Mingo promptly replied, "No
massa, dis aint me;" and brushed
past his old acquaintance in great
haste.—*Norfolk Beacon.*

Cochranites in South Hadley.—
For a year or two past, a small
number of deluded persons have
held eccentric religious exercises
on the Sabbath at South Hadley.
Their singularities having become
known, they now weekly attract a
large number of persons from the
neighboring towns to witness their
absurdities. They partake of the
character of Perfectionists, Sha-
kers, and New Lights, but a gen-
tleman of veracity informs us they
belong to a sect known as Coch-
ranites, the cognomen of their
leader. Their meetings are open-
ed with dancing, exhortation
from any one follows, singing suc-
ceeds and exhortations again are
introduced and dancing with in-
struments conclude the exercises.

which are often protracted till
midnight. It is a sort of democ-
racy in religion, where any man
who pleases is allowed to declaim
and exhort his brethren.

Cochran, the founder of this
sect, made some commotion by
his licentiousness and the delu-
sions with which he infected the
people of Maine and New Hamp-
shire, a few years since. He was
an officer in the army, an unprin-
ciple man, and had a large supply of

Spring Goods,
Which for quality, variety, and
CHEAPNESS are not surpassed
by any retail store in this State,
and will positively be sold on as
accommodating terms as any store
in this place.

J. W. COTTEN.
Tarboro', 14th May, 1835.

**VERY BEST
Cotton Yarn and Twine
FOR SALE.**

THE Subscribers feel grateful
for the liberal patronage which
they received the past year, and
hope by assiduity and punctuality
in business to merit a continuance
of past favors.

They now have and expect to
keep constantly on hand the

Very best Cotton Yarns,
From Nos. 2 to 18 inclusive.

Also, various sizes of the best
Cotton Seine Twine—its dura-
bility and strength has been fairly
tested, and the Subscribers feel
no hesitation in pronouncing it
inferior to none, if not superior to
any in market. Both the above
articles they expect to deliver to
purchasers on as liberal terms as
articles of the same quality can
be procured elsewhere. The usual
charge for conveyance will be
made.

Terms of sale—for all quanti-
ties of Yarn over one thousand
pounds, six months credit will be
allowed—for any quantity under
one thousand pounds, four months,
the purchaser giving note (with-
out interest) at the time the Yarn
is delivered, payable at the above
stated times.

The proprietors of fisheries will
do well to apply to the Subscri-
bers for twine for the future, as a
very liberal credit will be given.

Messrs. Hassel & Williams
will act as agents for the Subscri-
bers at Williamston—Mr. Benj-
Bell, at Greenville—and Messrs.
Simmons & Eure, at Halifax—
where Yarn and Twine can be
bought on the same terms as at
the Factory.

BATTLE & BROTHERS.
Falls Tar Jan. River, 10, 1835.

**No less than
\$22,000 Worth**

of the most beautiful and
strange.—We were told the fol-
lowing singular story by a plan-
ter of high respectability on Fri-
day last. Early in the season he
purchased work horses for his
plantation, and now at noon they
feed in the open air. The poultry,
as is customary, assemble
where the horses are fed. A few
days ago, hens with their broods
of chickens approached the
troughs where the horses were
eating, when it was observed that
one of the horses left his food, and
by moving his head near the
ground, collected the young chick-
ens in a huddle, and grabbed a
mouthful of the brood, which he
actually ate. Nor did he stop at
that, but before relief could be
afforded, he got a second mouth-
ful, which he also ate. The gen-
tleman added that his slaves have
lost many of their young chick-
ens, and the horse is accused of
having devoured them. This
must be a Kentucky horse—for
Kentuckians are said to be half
horse and half alligator, and the
one we speak of appears to have
much of the latter animal in his
composition, with a little touch of
the shapping turtle.

Louisville Jour.