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## News of the Day.

KILLED BY LIGHTNING.—On Friday morning last, about 2 o'clock, during a severe thunder storm, Mrs. Sarah Watson, a widow lady residing in town near the Rail Road, was struck and killed by lightning. She had arisen from bed and was at the fire-place lighting a candle when the accident occurred. The other inmates of the house were aroused by the crying of her little son, and efforts were made to resuscitate her but they were unavailing. She was a very estimable lady, and by this awful dispensation of Divine Providence three little boys are left orphans at an early age. —[Salisbury Banner.]

TRIFLING CAUSE.—Paul Stillman died in New York, Thursday, from exhaustion, consequent on the amputation of a foot.—He had worn a tight boot only two hours, and produced a wound which resulted in the loss of a foot, and finally of his life.

ONE OF THE TRICKS OF BURGLARS.—From a confession made by a rogue, now in jail at Hartford, Ct., for various burglaries recently committed in Farmington, it appears that one of the gang with whom he was connected, travelled through various towns seeking polishing powders, with a view of ascertaining where silver plate was to be found. In visiting dwellings, he was always quite bold in following the inmates to adjacent rooms, to test his powders upon silver spoons or plate. He made a memorandum of what he saw, in a book, noting particularly those houses where a dog was kept.

A GOOD LESSON.—The Cincinnati Gazette learns that "A young and handsome girl, residing on Sycamore street, attempted, on last Sunday evening to commit suicide by swallowing a large dose of laudanum. Soon after taking it she rued the rash act, told what she had done, and became exceedingly afraid she would die. A physician was called in, used the stomach pump, and yesterday the girl was doing well, and not only likely to recover from the effects of the poison, but also from a love fit, that it seems induced the foolish attempt. "Oh, Doctor!" said she to her physician, "wouldn't it have been horrible to have killed myself for such a timid fellow as —; why, when he heard of it he said he always thought I was a blamed fool!"

EXECUTION OF SALIZAR. WALKER, the new President of Nicaragua, continues to punish all who oppose his government. Marino Salizar, executed on the 4th ult., by Walker, at Granada, was a prominent politician in Nicaragua, and was a candidate for the Presidency. The *El Nicaraguense* says: "Shortly after his arrival in this place he had an interview with General Walker, which lasted a few minutes. When it was ended he returned to his place of confinement, and was made aware that 5 o'clock, P. M., of the same day had been determined upon for his execution. He appeared to be prepared for the announcement, as, from the moment he was taken, he was well aware of the usual penalty attached to the crimes of which he had been guilty. His interview with General Walker took place about eight o'clock, A. M. During the remainder of the day he was attended faithfully by Padre Vigil and other fathers of the church, and devoted himself, without interruption, to making his peace with an offended Deity, and standing in the presence of the august majesty of the King of Kings.

Throughout the afternoon he prayed earnestly in front of an image of Christ on the Cross. As his final hour approached the holy sacrament was administered to him, and his spiritual advisers exhorting him to keep his mind fixed steadily on his Redeemer. His devotions were not disturbed until the officer upon whom devolved the duty of his execution entered the apartment in which he was confined, to inquire whether he would prefer a standing or sitting posture in front of the soldiers who were to fire upon him. He preferred sitting; and the same chair in which General Corral was executed, was placed upon the spot selected for the occasion—the precise place on which General Corral suffered death.

When the evening dress parade concluded, a file of twelve men were detached to execute the decree of justice, while the main body of the troops stationed in the city formed three sides of a square in front of the wall against which the prisoner's chair was placed; the detachment of twelve standing about fifteen paces distant from the wall.

The prisoner having announced that he was ready, he was escorted to the place of his execution by a guard of four men and the venerable Padre Vigil, who ceased not his pious exhortations.

Salizar was dressed in a blue cloth jacket and coarse dark linen trousers, presenting very much the appearance of a sailor. He walked from the guard house in his stockings and carried in front of him a crucifix, upon which he looked with much earnestness and to which he addressed his prayers.

Having taken his seat, the Padre joined him in a short prayer, after which the persons assembled around were asked if they

forgave him the many wrongs he had perpetrated towards their city and their government. Being answered in the affirmative, he tied the handkerchief about his eyes himself, and while calling upon Jesus to forgive him, the word was given, the soldiers fired, and the soul of Salizar took flight into the spirit world.

NEW MATERIAL FOR PAPER.—The Cleveland Plaindealer says: "The Planet has brought down from Lake Superior a thousand pounds of moss for Dr. Terby, of Detroit, who has been making experiments upon it in the manufacture of paper. The Doctor says that the moss makes a beautiful white paper, without any preparation of the raw material for the common paper mills. In all respects it is equal to linen rags, and can be found in unlimited quantities on Isle Royale and several other localities in the vicinity, at a very small comparative cost."

A MAN THAT BELIEVES IN MUSIC.—Some philosopher remarks: "Music not only improves a man's tastes, but his morals. It gives him a taste for home that amends his habits wonderfully. We believe in music, and candidly think that one flute will do as much towards driving rowdiness out of a neighborhood as four policemen and a bull dog."

THE LEGISLATURE. We believe that the following is a correct list of the members elect to the next North Carolina Legislature:

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Democratic majority on joint ballot only 56.

THE POPULAR VOTE FOR PRESIDENT IN 1852. The following is a table showing the popular vote for President at the election in 1852:

State	Whig	Dem.	Free-S
Alabama	15,038	26,881	
Arkansas	7,404	12,193	
California	34,971	39,665	100
Connecticut	30,359	33,249	2,160
Delaware	6,293	6,318	62
Florida	2,875	4,318	
Georgia	16,060	34,805	
Illinois	61,353	80,597	9,566
Indiana	80,901	95,239	6,934
Iowa	15,855	17,762	6,906
Kentucky	57,068	53,806	365
Louisiana	17,255	18,647	
Maine	32,543	41,609	8,030
Maryland	35,077	40,022	54
Massachusetts	56,062	46,880	29,993
Michigan	33,600	41,842	7,237
Mississippi	17,548	26,876	
Missouri	29,984	38,353	
N. Hampshire	16,147	29,997	6,695
New Jersey	38,550	44,305	350
New York	262,083	324,882	25,329
N. Carolina	39,058	39,744	59
Ohio	152,526	169,220	31,682
Pennsylvania	179,122	198,568	8,524
R. Island	7,626	8,375	644
S. Carolina	(Electorals chosen by Legis'e.)		
Tennessee	58,898	57,018	
Texas	4,995	13,552	
Vermont	22,173	13,044	8,631
Virginia	57,132	72,413	
Wisconsin	22,240	32,658	8,814
Total	1,893,089	1,596,395	158,123

WE ARE SOON FORGOTTEN.—We have often thought that man's pathway from the cradle to the grave was a strangely incoherent one. Life, 'tis true, has its strange and eventful scenes, mingled with sighs, shouts of joy, smiles and tears. And yet, with these manifold sights and tears, there is a cold philosophy lords it over our being, and rules our immortal souls by shutting up the very fountain of tears. Day after day are we witnessing this cold philosophy of the world. Man's death and burial creates no sad thoughts beyond the circle of the home where he was most intimately known. The din and bustle of the world goes on as ever, the hoarse and the funeral train sweep by, and mayhap a few of our fellows on their way to the haunts of business, halt but a moment to ask of the deceased, and then walk on forgetful that a heart has ceased to beat forever. Even the mourner's tears that gush up with a seemingly ceaseless flow, are soon dried up, and the veil and scarf, the dark badges of death are cast aside, and the lifeless clod of the valley forgotten, amid the pomp and airy vanity of a vain glittering world. But such is life. If we die to-day, the sun will shine as brightly, and the birds sing as sweetly to-morrow; not a wheel in the great machinery of the business world will cease, and scarce a voice of mirth be checked. This is life; how rapidly it passes and how soon we are forgotten!

JOY IN ADVERSITY.—All birds when they are first caught and put into the cage, fly wildly up and down, and beat themselves against their little prison; but within two or three days sit quietly upon their perch, and sing their usual melody. So it fares with us, when God first brings us into straight; we wildly fluster up and down, beat and tire ourselves with striving to get free, but at length custom and experience will make our narrow confinement spacious enough for us, and though our feet should be in the stocks, yet shall we, with the Apostles, be able even there to sing praises to God.

REMEDY FOR INJURIES.—Have any one wounded you with injuries? Meet them with patience. Hasty words rankle the wound; soft language dresses it; forgiveness cures it; and oblivion takes away the scar.

"PA DOES IT."—"You Tommie, my son, what's that you are saying?" "Laf, ma, I just said confound it!" "Why, my son, mother's astonished to hear you talk so. That's naughty!" "I says worse than that sometimes. I just knows right out—just like anybody. You cuss all men cusses!" "Ah, my son, gentlemen do not curse!—Low trifling man curse; but gentlemen of good manners and good sense don't." "Well, anyhow, my pa does it." "Run along to play Tommie, and be a little man. Don't say such naughty things!" "Enter Father."—"Pa, are you a gentleman?" "Yes, my son; I try to be one; but what makes you ask such strange questions, Tommie? Who says otherwise?" "Nobody, sir, but I was a thinking that somebody telled me a story—your ma one." "Thomas, what do you mean?" "I just means, Pa, that you cusses, and Ma says gentlemen don't. And I know you do; cause I heard you cuss the carriage driver 'tother day, and I have been saying it ever since." "Peggy! Peggy! come take this boy to bed!"—[Mobile Tribune.]

Donnelly wrote home recently that McGraw had died from an "affection of the throat." He was hung last season in California.

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Democratic majority on joint ballot only 56.

THE POPULAR VOTE FOR PRESIDENT IN 1852. The following is a table showing the popular vote for President at the election in 1852:

State	Whig	Dem.	Free-S
Alabama	15,038	26,881	
Arkansas	7,404	12,193	
California	34,971	39,665	100
Connecticut	30,359	33,249	2,160
Delaware	6,293	6,318	62
Florida	2,875	4,318	
Georgia	16,060	34,805	
Illinois	61,353	80,597	9,566
Indiana	80,901	95,239	6,934
Iowa	15,855	17,762	