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formed in New York city to introduce the system of steam towage on the canals in New York State. There has been but one experiment of the system in this country, when a short cable was laid in the Erie Canal from Buffalo to Lockport. It was soon abandonded, but this must have been on account of a lack of means in the company, which was to extend its cable to Troy ; for the countries, very largely in Belgium, and principal of the system is the same as that of running a train of cars except corresponding to the rail, runs over the stcamers wheel. But a train of canal boats is dragged along on the same prinlies at the bottom of the canal and is lifted over the steamer's wheel only as it is used, it in no wise interferes with that six boats, can be taken from Buff.

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and circulated throughout the State an address to the people, in which it shall be shown that the small amount of money the State does raise by annual taxation for educational purpose- can be most beneficially used by the estaby lishment, in each school district, of a common school, in which shall be rules of arithmetic at least; and that said school be kept up at least during four months of the year; and that the text books for the use of said schools shall be furnished by the Superintendent

2d. That the committee shall correspond with members of the General Assembly upon this subject, and shall memorialize the General Assembly to pass such laws as may be necessary to

and earnestly request and urge every friend of the State, the people, and parand the press, to be zealous and constant in making efforts to arouse the whole people to a realizing sense of the paramount importance of Education, and especially of common schools, and of

Rev Neill McKay made an able and lengthy speech in support of the resolution. He was glad to see the liberality displayed by the Presidents of the denominational colleges, present in the body of the convention, and also the leading Ministers of the various churches, towards the revival of the University.

the resuscitation of the University all political or church influence will be removed.

vention at 6 o'clock adjourned till 8:30 o'clock p m.

A reporter for a western paper speakng of a certain fair creature, remarked hair would lead one to look upon it as

from Pitt report that a portion of that county, embracing an area of six miles in length and three in width, was on Friday last visited by a most terribly destructive hail storm. Within the space noticed the crops were entirely destroyed, and scarcely a vestige of county so awfully visited.







