

**NEW YORK LETTER.**

Dec. 8th, 1879.

A dispatch to the evening papers from Washington, regarding the negro exodus, says that last week there was a whole church full of North Carolina emigrants on what is known as the 'Island,' who had no other place to stop, and who were on their way to the Northern States; there is a society in Washington which helps them along, and as many as possible are sent to Indiana. The North Carolina negroes say they would leave that State if they had to walk to get away. Eighty seven negro emigrants from Goldsboro, N. C., arrived at Indianapolis, Ind., on Friday. They were received by a delegation of negroes and given comfortable quarters in a Methodist church building. On last Saturday afternoon they started for their new homes in Putnam and Wayne counties.

John B. Gough has renewed his youth while journeying abroad and has equipped himself with a vast amount of new lecture material. He now engages anew in his old work of battling intemperance, and it is understood that nearly all of his lecture efforts will be in that direction. To-morrow evening he begins his campaign in Steinway Hall, and afterwards continues it in Bro. Cnyler's church in Brooklyn. The National Temperance Society has him in hand for the present. Gough is about 65 years old, and altogether more hearty and jolly than he was years ago.

One of the most ingenious novelties in gambling was practiced last week at a church fair in Brooklyn. People who paid their admittance money received a ticket with a numbered coupon. This coupon they kept, as its number corresponded to certain figures placed in a hat or wheel. The drawing was for a statuette worth \$25. If there is any more certain way than this to teach boys and girls to buy lottery tickets it would be interesting to know what it is and where it is to be found.

A New York paper heads one of its articles "A Poet to be Hanged in Pennsylvania," and a Pennsylvania paper, fearing its supply of winter fuel will be cut off, hastens to assure its readers that he is not to be hanged because he is a poet. He killed his sweetheart, which is almost as wicked as writing poetry. The laws of Pennsylvania don't recognize the mere act of writing rhymes a capital offence, punishable with death. Her population would soon be cut down less than 10,000 if they did. We may now and then throw a poet out of a third story window, or fracture his skull with a paper weight, or saw him in two, but we want the people outside of the State to

understand that we don't hang a man because he writes poetry.

At a meeting of butter merchants last week, it was stated that immense quantities of oleomargine were regularly shipped South and sold as pure Northern butter, and a petition was drawn up asking the Legislature to compel every dealer in oleomargine to brand the tubs or other vessels it was transported in. Gil.

In Chicago, during the present year, one thousand and sixty-five new buildings, mostly brick, have been erected, at an aggregate expense of \$6,454,000.

**THE MARKETS.**

**City Markets--Wholesale Prices.**  
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Flour, North Carolina,	\$7 00
Chickens,	12 1-2a17 1-2
Corn,	67 1-2a70
Corn Meal,	67 1-2a70
Bacon, N C Hog, round,	9a16
" " hams,	11a12
Bulk Meats, clear rib sides,	7 3-4
" " shoulders,	5 1-4
North Carolina Pork,	6a7
Coffee, prime Rio,	15a 17
" good,	14a 15
Syrup, S H,	25a26
Molasses, Cuoa,	33a 35
Salt, Liverpool fine,	2 00
Sugar, white,	10a11
" yellow,	8a9
Potatoes, sweet,	40
Irish potatoes,	75
Onions, shelled,	55
Fodder,	90a\$1 00
Peaches, peeled,	8 per lb
" unpeeled,	4 "
Apples, new, per bbl,	3 50a4 00
" dried,	4a 5
Cotton ties, new, per bunch,	2 75
" spliced,	2 00
Bagging,	101-2a12
Peas, per bushel, white, new,	75a80
" stock, new,	75
Eggs, per dozen,	15a17 1-2
Timothy Hay,	1 25
Mixed,	1 10

Above are for large quantities. When small quantities are wanted higher prices will be charged.

**COTTON MARKET.**  
Reported by **COTTON EXCHANGE.**  
Raleigh, Dec. 10, 1879.

Middling,	12 5-8
Strict low middling,	12 1-2
Low middling,	12 3-8
Strict good ordinary,	-
Good ordinary,	-
Ordinary,	-
Middling stains,	-
Low middling stains,	-
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Tone of market strong.	-

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