

will it be for him, if your services are not hereafter required to shield him from the penitentiary. I wish you both good morning! and presenting his arm to Eliza and Mr. Winthrop, left them abruptly in the parlor.

"The impudent youngster!" exclaimed old Pell; "let us go, Mr. Ridgely, and get the will proved. Sampson is the subscribing witness; I'll call upon him and have it established this afternoon, and then I'll see who is to possess the homestead and the estate."

They took their departure. In the afternoon Pell called on Mr. Sampson, and producing the will, told him that as he was the subscribing witness, he wished him to go before the Judge of Probates and prove the will.

"Why?" replied Sampson. "I have done that already, six weeks ago."

"What do you mean, Sampson?"

"Just as I say—that about six weeks ago I swore to the will before the Judge of Probates."

"Impossible!" replied Pell, taking the will out of his pocket—but as he took it out, his eye for the first time fell upon the following endorsement on the parchment:

—Court, ss: The within instrument duly proven, and by me recorded in Liber M. of Wills, pages 208 and 209, this 17th day of June, 18—

SAMUEL HALE, Judge of Probates.

Pell was dumb with astonishment. At length he enquired, "Who had produced the will at the time it was proven?"

"A Mr. Jocelyn," replied Sampson.

The whole truth now flashed upon Pell's mind. His rage was without bounds, not recollecting how he stood affected what had transpired, and that his crime of forgery might be made to appear he mounted his carriage and drove at a hasty to Farmingell Park. On arrival there, he burst into the room where Mr. Winthrop, Eliza and Tim were seated at the tea-table.

"You are very kind, uncle," said Tim's friends do not often call twice."

"You villain!" roared Pell. "And Mr. Jocelyn, you know that I am still the will from my old master's safe six weeks ago. You master's surely escape. You'll be called on by the officer to-morrow."

"Thank you," said Tim. "I'll do my best to get it proved. We'll not remain the next evening. All Peter."

Old Pell almost burst at the mouth. "And so you can play such a scoundrel to rob me of the will and your master well, Mr. Jocelyn, that's how the master things."

"Yes," replied Tim, stopping very coolly. "Peter did assist me a little in that matter. I was in his room and stood at the window of the door, as you were, about to commit the crime of—Forsay!" The last word was pronounced in the same unearthy voice that had frightened Pell on the evening alluded to. He said that his crime was known, and that he was Tim's power.

Tim saw his situation, and comiserated him. He promised not to divulge his crime, on condition that, after surrendering the will and the estate, he would leave the country. This was immediately done, and Tim and Eliza soon left Farmingell Park for the homestead of her father, where they still resided, surrounded by wealth and sincere friends.

As for poor Benson, he never returned to college, nor was he ever again seen in that vicinity.

Lot's Wife.—A wife is what every man ought to have, and what every man of sense will have—but, be sure the wife you get knows how to clean a stocking, boil a potato, and broil a steak. A mechanic, or any man in moderate circumstances, might as well have the original Venus de Medici placed in his house as most of the modern fashionable women—it would be much better, says a late writer, to have "Lot's Wife" standing there, for she might answer one useful purpose; she might SALT HIS BACON!

INDULGE THE CURIOSITY OF CHILDREN.—Suppress not their curiosity or inquisitiveness. It is no failing in or of itself. It is rather one of the stronger incentives and the most prominent means to become learned and wise. It is generally from ignorance and pride that a man commands his children to be silent, or reproaches them for an improper and reprehensible curiosity when they inquire about something, and are not satisfied with the first answer given them. They must indeed learn and use prudence and discretion in the company of strangers who are present, not on their own account, but that of their parents. But parents, guardians and teachers would neglect the best opportunity of their instruction, if they love their children or pupils, it will be their pleasure to answer their questions; not with a dry yes or no, but in such a manner, as will convey the information they desire and yield them satisfaction. Yes, they will seize these opportunities of exercising the reflection of the child of youth by encouraging it to propose questions upon those subjects with which it is yet unacquainted.

And should these questions be of such a nature as should render their parents or instructors unable to answer them, this should not make them unwilling to confess their own ignorance upon the subject, or to excuse themselves through the imperfections of human knowledge, or to endeavor to make the inquirer comprehend that the answer to this question presupposes a knowledge which he has not, nor can have at present, but that his application to the subject will be rewarded if he perseveres therein.

THE GAZETTE



VICE-NEWS.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 1844.

Wanted

At this office, twenty cords of wood. We would be pleased to have that quantity furnished by our subscribers.

To our Patrons.—Our subscribers can not reasonably complain of our running it is a thing we dislike, and never would do it, were we not driven to the necessity. Such is peculiarly our case at present, for we are in need of almost every thing used in a family. Never have we been so poorly supplied by our subscribers with common necessities, since we have been engaged in business, and we do trust that they have not come to the conclusion that we can live upon air. We want wood, flour, corn meal, potatoes, beans, tallow, beef, corn, oats, in short almost

thing produced by the hand of man, we now having our accounts made and desire those having thoughts to be indulged, no expense being spared to do so.

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Result of the Presidential election so far as is officially known.

	CLAY.	POWL.
Ohio	23	
Kentucky	12	
Maryland	8	
Rhode Island	4	
Connecticut	6	
Indiana		12
Pennsylvania		26

Notices.

We last week received the first number of a paper just commenced at Carlisle, Sullivan county, Ia., called the "Carlisle Messenger." In politics it is decidedly locofoolish.

From Josiah Holbrook, Esq., of New York city, we have received No. 6, of his "Self Instructor." We are hardly able, from one number, to express a decided opinion; but from the specimen sent, we think it the best thing of the kind that has come under our observation. The Geometrical figures will be easily comprehended by the child; and may serve to throw some light upon the mind of older persons. We would be obliged to the editor, if he would send us the back numbers.

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