

Absence of Mind.—A few weeks since a highly respectable citizen of a southern city called at the New York Post Office, and said—"Have you any letters for me?" "What is your name, sir?" said the clerk. The gentleman raised his finger to his nose, looked grave, and said, "I will tell you directly," and turned on his heel out of the office. A few yards from the Post Office he met a friend, who said—"How do you do, Mr. —?" "That's it" said the gentleman, and he returned to the office, told his name, and obtained his letters.

IMPORTANT TO PAINTERS.—It has recently been found, says a late number of Newton's London Journal, that *zinc white* may be employed with great advantage as a substitute for *white-lead* for painting and other purposes. This substance is said to produce no disease allied to the painters' colic, and it is also stated to be unchangeable.

The business of counterfeiting gold coin appears to have been carried on to a considerable extent of late. Among the latest issues is an imitation of the well known doubloon of Bogota, in New Grenada—the die is said to be well executed, and the coin itself is composed of 653 thousandths of gold, the balance silver; its value therefore is \$14 70, while the genuine is rated at \$15 61. The date is 1843.

OHIO LEGISLATURE.

Dec. 21, 1849.

Balloting for Speaker resumed.

The result of the 191st ballot was then announced as follows:

For John H. Dubbs 17
" Brewster Randall 17

and so the balloting continued, until the 203d ballot, when Mr. Hendricks announced that he had a proposition to offer.

Mr. Hendricks. We have now balloted over 200 times for Speaker, without effecting a choice. I notice a goodly number of the

sovereigns in the lobby, and I now propose that the Senators cease balloting and let the lobby choose a Speaker for us, which we are unable to select for ourselves, (laughter.)

The balloting was then resumed, and continued with the same result as before, (17 for Mr. Dubbs and 17 for Mr. Randall,) until the 211th ballot was reached, when, there being no choice,

The Senate took a recess.

FRANCE.

Nov. 5th 1849. The High Court of Versailles has sentenced Ledru Rollin and thirty-three others, implicated in the June insurrection, to transportation for life. The papers continued to be seized, and the editors tried, for expressing their opinions considered detrimental to the government. Twenty seats in the Assembly have been made vacant by the convictions at Versailles.

Napoleon has published a decree, cashiering Pierre Bonaparte—thus depriving him of his rank as *Chef-de-Battalion* of the African Legion. Pierre Bonaparte has published a long letter, in which he says, the President's decree has no force in law, and that he looks upon the dismissal as null and void.

EMIGRANTS.

The following, who have passed on, paid their fare for a copy of our paper to be directed to their friends.

| Name | Ar. | Dep. |
|------------------------------|-----------|------|
| Wm Hutton Jones co Io | June 23 | June |
| A C Light Lebanon co Pa | " 21 " | " 25 |
| B Mc Donald Randolph co Ill | " 21 July | " 1 |
| J Barker St Joseph co Mich | " 25 June | " 27 |
| I D Fowler St J co Mich | " 25 " | " 27 |
| W L Laurence St J co Mich | " 25 " | " 27 |
| W P Yeats Princeton Ill | " 22 " | " 27 |
| J H Reas Southport Wis | | |
| W P Patterson Mercer co Ill | " 26 " | " 29 |
| E C Clemenz Washington Io | " 23 July | " 1 |
| J T Crenshaw Osceola Mo | " 29 " | " 1 |
| E B Fox Jefferson co N Y | " 25 " | " 1 |
| E Putman Jefferson co N Y | " 25 " | " 1 |
| I Thomas jr Jefferson co N Y | " 25 " | " 1 |
| S Totman Jefferson co N Y | " 25 " | " 1 |
| J T Davis Andrew co Mo | " 23 " | " 1 |
| G W Davise Andrew co Mo | " 23 " | " 1 |
| T R Staley wythes co Va | " 28 " | " 1 |
| L wheeler Lee co Ill | " 29 " | " 1 |

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| G w Ferguson St Jos co Mich | " 29 " | " 1 |
| E B Bracy Ft wayne Ia | " 29 " | " 1 |
| P Lynch Marshall co Mich | " 29 " | " 1 |
| T M Carey Shelby co O | " 26 " | " 2 |
| J S Carey Shelby co O | " 26 " | " 2 |
| S B Carey Shelby co O | " 26 " | " 2 |
| G Lankast Ft wayne Ia | " 29 " | " 2 |
| w T Clemens Marshall co Ill | " 29 " | " 2 |
| A Myers Marshall co Ill | " 29 " | " 2 |
| T McAfee Shelby co Mo | " 30 " | " 3 |
| L J w Moore Shelby co Mo | " 30 " | " 3 |
| E whitmore Dodgeville wis | " 30 " | " 3 |
| O Thompson & son O co Mich | " 24 " | " 3 |
| A R Batts New York | July 1 | " 5 |
| C B Ingham Hill co Ill | " 3 " | " 6 |
| J Menaffey Iowa co wis | " 1 " | " 5 |
| F Smead Iowa co wis | " 1 " | " 5 |
| H J white Shelby co Mo | " 1 " | " 5 |
| L Mitchell Shelby co Mo | " 1 " | " 5 |
| J Glasscock Shelby co Mo | " 1 " | " 5 |
| J P Miller Richland co O | " 5 " | " 5 |
| D R Reynolds Shellsburgh wis | " 1 " | " 5 |
| Rufus Fish Belvidere Ill | June 26 | June 29 |
| H Jones Marceilles Ill | " 17 " | July 4 |
| J C Bowmer Jamestown wis | July 2 | " 4 |
| J G Orr Quincy Ill | June 29 | " 5 |
| C L Andrus Battle Creek Mich | " 29 " | " 5 |
| D Ayers Princeton Ia | July 1 | " 12 |
| wm Phillips Milan Erie O | " 1 " | " 7 |
| wm Fleehart Terre haute Ia | " 1 " | " 7 |
| John Gunn Prinetown Ia | " 1 " | " 7 |
| James R waits Savannah Mo | June 28 | " 5 |
| R Vootees & co La Prairie wis | Jy 1 | " 5 |
| Joseph Smith Trenton Mo | " 4 " | " 9 |
| E B Carson Mineral Point wis | " 1 " | " 5 |
| James Hill Roscoe Ill | " 4 " | " 5 |
| E C Scott Chicago Ill | " 3 " | " 5 |
| T Gunn Prinetown Ia | " 1 " | " 7 |
| M S Taphin Chicago Ill | " 3 " | " 6 |
| A w Philey Burlington Io | June 29 | " 7 |
| T F Stewart Lowell O | " 29 " | " 7 |
| in good health & spirits. | | |
| n n Box Lowell Io | " 29 " | " 7 |
| wm Wilson Salem Io | July 6 | " 10 |
| R Gunn Prinetown Io | " 1 " | " 7 |
| T n Fearn Terre haute Ia | " 2 " | " 8 |
| C R Roberts Lexington mo | " 7 " | " 10 |
| Dr J Ball & lady Lex mo | " 3 " | " 10 |
| wm McPherson Raymond wis | June 30 | " 8 |
| wm Howe Raymond wis | " 30 " | " 8 |
| wm V moore Raymond wis | " 30 " | " 8 |
| J Sanborn Raymond wis | " 30 " | " 8 |
| J Miller Raymond wis | " 30 " | " 8 |
| D Miller Raymond wis | " 30 " | " 8 |
| J Wilson Raymond wis | " 30 " | " 8 |
| N B Ellis Raymond wis | " 30 " | " 8 |
| John Ray Raymond wis | " 30 " | " 8 |
| F Mc Donald Raymond wis | " 30 " | " 8 |
| all in good health & spirits. | | |
| J Price Farmington Io | July 1 | " 12 |
| n Field Denmark Io | " 6 " | " 10 |
| J w Hornby Denmark Io | " 6 " | " 9 |
| G S Grinnell Dryden Mich | " 4 " | " 12 |
| J D Cross Adm Mich | " 6 " | " 13 |
| C w Johnson Utica Mich | " 6 " | " 13 |
| n B Cutler Keosauqua Io | " 6 " | " 10 |
| A Burns Guernsey co O | " 7 " | " 12 |
| A w Sweet Keosauqua Io | " 6 " | " 10 |
| J S Shaw St Charles mo | " 4 " | " 8 |
| wm n Walker Scott co Ky | " 7 " | " 17 |
| G B Groomer St Joseph mo | " 8 " | " 13 |
| S T Clymer Albion Ia | " 3 " | " 6 |
| C L Cochran Peru N Y | " 5 " | " 10 |
| Ezra Beatty Oquaka Ill | " 1 " | " 2 |
| J S Thomas Oquaka | " 1 " | " 2 |
| D Mickey Manchesterfield O | " 1 " | " 2 |
| N Simpson Alton Ill | " 1 " | " 2 |
| S Plummer New Albany Io | " 1 " | " 2 |
| R T Pence Oquaka Ill | " 1 " | " 2 |