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NEW YORK LETTER.

SCHUYLER'S LAKE, N. Y.,
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EDITOR OF THE HERALD.—Thinking that a letter from this part of the country may prove interesting, this is respectfully submitted to the HERALD.

Since election, the all-absorbing topic of conversation has been the solution of the Presidential question, but the unusual character of the winter merits mention.

Seer autumn tarried much beyond his usual period, and robbed winter of a portion of his realm; but the hoary monarch at last asserted his sway, and bound the earth closer in his icy fetters.

He forbore mantling the earth at once in deep snow and accomplished his work more industriously and systematically. Day by day the flakes fell, and added little by little to the accumulation, but, never-the-less, the mass grew space, and the winds swept it to ravines and fence corners.

The roads were filled with grotesque and fanciful shapes. Winter drew his bonds closer, and the cold grew more intense. More snow fell, and was gathered by the winds, and within a month many of the roads were impassable, and out-door work impracticable.

Thus by surprise, as it were, there had accumulated at the beginning of January, nearly three feet of snow, which is an unprecedented depth at that early period of the winter, as the hills are then often nearly bare, and the roads filled with frozen mud.

The Centennial year has been remarkable for its meteorological features; but this has not been exceeded by any which has preceded it.

One of the peculiarities of the winter, has been the regularity with which storms have occurred on the closing day of each week.

UNION MILLS, Neb., Jan. 23d. 77.
MISTER HERALD.—We saw in your last number that some one has been kicking just because he has the hopper-smasher to do it with. Now we think that gent misconstrued the meaning of the letter; I think it was meant for our family.

My father has two sons and I want it distinctly understood that we are each other's brothers. Tobias is the name of one Bianchi's, the other, (thats me.) Now there is nothing small about me but my feet; they haunt a foot.

Tobias has an awful understanding he thinks of taking a government contract if there is any action taken against the hoppers. I think he will succeed.

He went to Merger to get a pair of boots; first he tried on a No. 8; it wouldnt go; then a No. 14 that was the biggest but it wouldnt go; then Peet took out the box it wouldnt go either. Peet took him to come lack and leave his measure some day when he had all day to devote to measuring, and had summer he would rent the poor farm and make him a pair.

Yours, &c.,
DOCTOR BIANCHI.
GEOGRAPHICAL PUZZLE.

Winter had come with its ice storms and snow. The wind was—a lake in the Argentine Confederation—and making a terrible—Lake in New York.

While all without was a Cape west of Alaska—and all at home was in—town in Utah—and a river of New Britain. My father was—a Point west of Newfoundland—and a bay south of Newfoundland—had followed me from my birth. My parents had consented to the—taken in Ohio—between a wealthy—City of Wisconsin—and myself, which was to take place that day—A Fort in the Indian Territory—came to discourse sweet music, —a City in Rhode Island—sailed, and all was—a Lake in New York. As we started upon our journey to our new home, a pet—town in Michigan—entered a sweet good bye.

Soon after we were settled—River in Oregon—in disguise came and begged us to lodge him over night. Being pleased with his looks we assented, putting him on—a town in Illinois—with ourselves, which at showed no—River in Montana—on our part. He proved full of the—Lake in Iowa—the—Lake in Dakota.—The next day he, thanking us for our hospitaliy left, and we soon missed a gold watch my husband had taken in—a Lake of Ontario—and a favorite bit—Lake in New York—came. I also missed some—Islands of Oceania—This was—a town of Michigan—dashed upon our peace, for a while, but we bid—a town in Ohio—to anything like depression of our spirits.

After a winter of gloom, by many—a River in Prussia—we had. But when—the Lake of Canada—were dressed in—Mountains of Vermont,—and the Robins were beginning to obey the instincts to—a town on the Hudson,—my husband, a man of—a town in Missouri—was—a sea of Palestine—and I was left alone.

THE PINES, Jan. 5th, 1877.
Deer Mr. Heralt—We wuz reedia in yer last week's paper, (step-uncle and I wuz) at least he wuz a readin' and I wuz partin' away the copper dishes, and we see there how it amaze "Betsy" that so few writ to the "Letter Box."

All at wame I sez to Step-Uncle, the is my Step-Uncle on my mother's side, she never havin' no brothers or her own; sez I "Step-Uncle, I'm a goin' to write and back up that Miss Betsy" sez I, wipin' my hands on the wrong side of my kitchen apron to aper cool, fur I knowed rit away he'd be sure to say somethin' agen it, as he's always on the other side of everytin' ye can mention. Step-Uncle gav a jump scare enuff, and dropt the paper he had been a holdin so lovin like, and he tak off his glasses an giv me a look, (and traly, Mister Editor, it beats all, the look that man is capable of givin and especially to his step niece. I get them looks at every turn till I've often wished that Step-Uncle would lose his eyes indeed I hev, wiked as it is, only I knew he'd turn his nose or some other limment to do duty in their stead, so it wouldnt make any difference,) well, as I sed, he tuk off his glasses and waw in them round as if they was some kind of a magic wand that he'd like to turn me into a frozen potato or some such kind of a fruit with, sez he "see how they dont be a fact" and I kin tell the Letter box friends it aint such a awful pleasant thing to hev that yeld at you at every turn as Step-Uncle is always redy to do) and sez he "Sophia, dont ye know that ye never hed no schoolin to signify, sez he, "and hevnt I told ye often and often (beetin time with his glasses in the air) that larnin was a labyrinth? Then I giv him back a look to match his'n and I sez "and what's a labyrinth?" I see in a minit he was tuk aback, fur he picked up the paper often the floor and folded it up and then the way he used his handkerchief! My goodness! sez he, arter a good deal of wigglin (as he saw I was waitin to be answered) sez he: "Gal, a labyrinth is a sort of a whirl-imagin that ye cant find yer way out on," sez he, "youre always a wantin to know things ye cant understand and yer the most sot or any ov yer sect" sez he, "and I see by the farina ov yer eye that yer set to writ in to the Letter Box and yed rather hev yer eye teeth pulled this mornin," sez he, (a bobbin his head) I kin see that yer wont to be a thimk ye couldnt writ?" then he gave a kind of a snort. Theed made me nasal and sez I a glintin at him "what if I hev a hankerin arter writin? Id like to know" sez I (gettin over to be handy to the door) if ye want a braggin up ov Henry Clay because

he'd rather write than be President," sez I "and when the editor or our town invites the young folks to write and they need backin up I aint a hurtin anybody if I help incurrige them, the bein a gal as never had the blessin of no schoolin as they ought to be thankful for the lev," and I woked off with an answerin snort to him. While I am a ponderin how to make this letter short Step Uncle is a lookin at me and actin as if he was tuk bad with the Neuralgic in his head and hands, but as I kno he never has nothin in his hed (but a bad cold on his nose sometimes) I just bet a few nickel hes wrathy. Mebbe Miss Betsy, or some ov yer friends, bein as she seems a kindly person, would make me easy in mind as to the "labyrinth" and whether Mister Henry Clay ever said hed rather write than be President, fur to tell the truth I dont more'n half believe Step Uncle knows. Your very respectable,
SOPHIA.

LAST WEEK THE POST published the first verse of an alleged poem on Great Eastern. As another genius has broken out on the other side of the question, the front end of his production is given. It will be noticed that he scores very fast.

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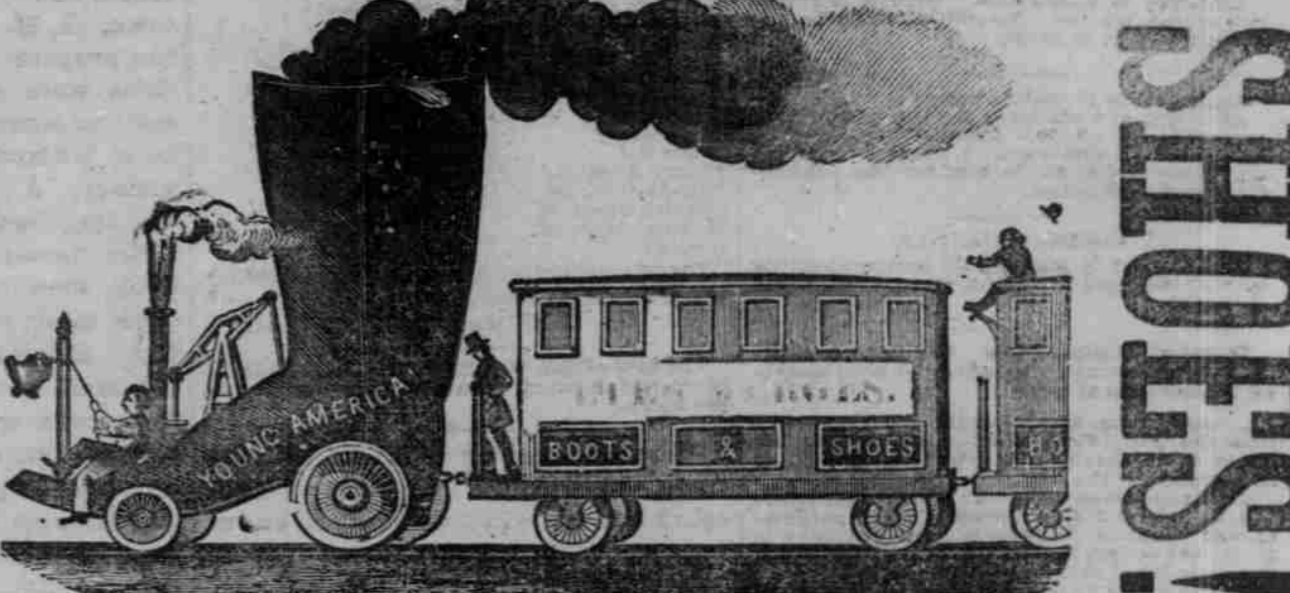
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