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CITY AFFAIRS.

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Commencement Exercises of the Pittsburgh Female College.

A crowded and deeply interested audience assembled in Christ Methodist Episcopal Church last evening, to listen to these exercises, which consisted in the reading of addresses by the highly cultivated young ladies whose good fortune it is to be placed under the guidance of such tutors as the faculty of this College. Here the solid, the elegant and the ornamental are beautifully and harmoniously blended—the former, however, is not sacrificed—as is too often the case in female institutions of learning—to the latter.

The exercises last evening were opened with prayer by the Rev. S. H. Nesbit, A. M.

Music—"Zouave March," by Miss Daizell and Miss Hugus.

"English Salutatory"—By Miss Hannah R. Christy, of Kinsman, Ohio—a well written essay. A shower of boquets testified to pleasure with which it was received.

Music—By Miss Coburn.

"Nothing in Vain"—By Miss Saide R. Parry, of Manchester—a good production, breathing a pure and lofty Christian spirit.

Music—"Rosalie," by Miss Reese.

"*Was kann ich thun?*" (What can I do) a composition in German, by Miss Lydia A. R. Robison, of Pittsburgh. Of its merits or sentiments we cannot speak; but it was pleasant to hear the rich and vigorous accents of Fatherland leap full and free from the pretty lips of one whose earliest lisplings were only in our own loved English.

Music—Killiney—by Miss Daizell.

Beyond the Alps Lith thy Italy—by Miss J. McKelvey, of Wilkinsburg. A shower of bouquets rewarded the lady who ventured, not unsuccessfully on so lofty a theme.

Music—A song—"Leonora, fare thee well," plaintive and beautiful. Our notes are at fault as to the name of the lady.

Fossila—by Miss B. Canfield, of Homewood. Excellent in composition, rich in thought, and a little satirical withal.

Mental Achievements—by Miss Mary E. Reed, of Pittsburgh. To say that this essay was well written would be faint praise; it was full of thought, sweeping rapidly through the great field of achievements, moral, mental and material.

We are obliged to be very brief in our notices of these admirable efforts of expanding minds. This evening the exercises will be continued in the same house.

Camp Howe

This is now the centre of great activity and interest. We abstain from details in reference to the number and character of troops now in camp, for obvious military reasons.

The Fifteenth Regiment State Militia, under the command of Col. Galway, now fully uniformed and equipped, have been performing guard duty both in camp and on the fortifications. They will be relieved from the first of these duties to-day by Col. Kedzie, who will henceforth be in command of the camp. The Fifteenth will go into new camp to-day, under canvas, in a position more central to their assigned duty of guarding the principal forts.

The Regiment has made good use of the time spent in the field; every unoccupied hour is spent in drill, and the degree of proficiency attained is highly commendable. The citizens having provided a fund for the purpose of completing the equipment of this fine city Regiment, it is to be hoped that it will now be recognized as one of our city institutions. To this end, we hope that our citizens will aid the officers in retaining their membership, even at some personal inconvenience; let the young men feel secure of their situations, while in the field perfecting their discipline and drill. By this means, and only thus, can an efficient volunteer organization be maintained in this city. It seems to us highly desirable that our citizens should foster and aid the organization; its necessary expenses should be defrayed by the citizens, such as uniform, equipment, music and armory rent; it is unfair that the officers should be compelled to sacrifice their time, and pay their own expenses, while laboring for the public weal. Let us fill up, encourage and endow the Fifteenth Regiment, as one of our permanent city organizations. We think the officers and men have the vim to perform their share of duty, in any and every emergency.

Closing the Stores.

While around the line of fortifications, yesterday, and amongst the citizen soldiers in Camp Howe and elsewhere, we have one subject of a general and bitter remark—the selfish and unpatriotic conduct of those churlish few who persist in keeping their stores open, and prosecuting their daily avocations, while so many thousands of their fellow citizens are spending time and money, with an entire suspension of private business, laboring for the public defense. A stern public indignation should compel the general closing of the stores, in both cities. Let all sacrifice their personal business for the public good. While A is laboring in the trenches, or pacing his lonely beat, with a musket on his shoulder, let B—if he has not the patriotism to go and do likewise—at least feel the depth of public indignation, if he attempts to prosecute his business while we are engaged in these wise and proper defensive measures. Let each bear his share of the burthen, cheerfully and patriotically. We shall all feel better and safer after we shall have completed this good work, which, if undertaken two years ago, would have saved to us millions of dollars.

Public sentiment can compel the general closing of all the stores in Pittsburgh and Allegheny, while this emergency continues; at least it can make those who attempt to defy it, feel that they have committed a mistake in their estimate of the patriotism of the people.

Juvenile Concert.

By reference to an advertisement it will be seen that the pupils of Prof. W. H. Slack will give two grand juvenile concerts, on Thursday and Friday evenings, the 25th, and 26th inst., at Excelsior Hall, Allegheny. These concerts had been arranged for last week, but in consequence of the military excitement, and the fact that Prof. Slack had entered the service in the 15th regiment, they were postponed until the time stated.

The musical entertainments given under the direction of Prof. Slack have always been largely attended, and have given universal satisfaction. The success heretofore attending his efforts, and the liberal patronage extended by the public, are a sufficient guarantee that his claims upon this occasion will not be overlooked, notwithstanding the excitement in the community. The programme consists of a number of fine choruses and quartetts, including some new and popular patriotic songs. The class will number about one hundred and twenty-five performers, with suitable instrumental accompaniement. Tickets can be had at the music and drug stores, and at the door.

Meeting of Merchants—Stores to Remain Closed.

A very large meeting of merchants was held last evening, at the shoe house of Messrs. W. R. Schmertz & Co., Fifth street—J. W. Barker, Esq., in the chair.

It will be recollected that, on the occasion of the last meeting, it was resolved that the stores should remain closed until Wednesday evening, the 24th inst. This meeting was held, therefore, to determine what further action should be taken.

After an interchange of views, it was unanimously resolved that the public interests required a further suspension of business until Saturday evening, the 27th inst.

A Committee of ten was appointed (eight for this city and two for Allegheny) to see that this resolution is rigidly carried out—said Committee to report for publication the names of all those who keep their stores open.

The Lawrance County Troops.

The five companies of the 134th regiment, who reported here on Friday last, under the gallant Col. O'Brian, returned home yesterday evening, to organize for the six months service. On their arrival here they were unable to procure subsistence as speedily as was desirable, when Mr. N. P. Sawyer, a warm personal friend of the Colonel, at once supplied them at his own expense. The act of generosity was not forgotten by the men, as will be seen from the following resolution which they passed previous to their departure:

Resolved, That the thanks of the 134th regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers, be hereby tendered to W. P. Sawyer, Esq., for furnishing their regiment with rations, the first day after our arrival here, and also for his uniform kindness to us during our stay in camp Howe.

Resolved, That Col. O'Brien be requested to furnish Mr. Sawyer a copy of the above resolution, and that it be published in the Pittsburgh and New Castle papers.

Previous to the departure of the train the men called upon Mr. Sawyer for a speech, and were favored with a few remarks, in which he took occasion to compliment them upon their soldierly conduct, and for the prompt manner in which they had responded to the call of the Governor in the present emergency. He also allowed fitting terms to the skill and bravery of the gallant colonel, who had led them on many a hard fought field of battle.

Col. O'Brien was then called upon, and responded in a manly and appropriate manner, after which the men were conducted to the cars.

Tribute of Respect.

At a special meeting of the Penn Literary Society, held on Wednesday evening, June 24th, 1863, the following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, Intelligence has reached us of the death of our friend and fellow-member, Thos. C. McClelland, while in an engagement with the Apache Indians, near Tucson, Arizania territory, one whose nobleness of character has caused to cling around our memories the endearing recollections of a true and warm hearted friend, an able and zealous member, therefore,

Resolved, That in him this Society has lost one of its old and valued members, whose services and counsels we shall long remember, and the memory of whose virtues we shall ever cherish.

Resolved, That while in humble submission we acknowledge the wisdom of Providence, we cannot but register our unqualified sorrow over the death of so valuable a member and true friend. And to the friends and relatives of our brother we tender our heartfelt sympathy in this their deep bereavement.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of the deceased, and in respect to him we adjourn the Society for a period of thirty days.

H. W. NINNEMYER,
CHARLES C. BAER,
J. M. SHIRRED, } Committee.

Sad Case of Drowning.

On Wednesday morning, an accident of a distressing character occurred at the residence of Mr. Louis Sanders, on Mount Washington. A little child, aged two years and three months, while playing about the door, fell into a cistern and was drowned. It had been out of sight of its mother but a few minutes, when an older child discovered it floating in the pool. Was speedily removed, but death had done its work. Mr. Sanders is a very worthy and estimable citizen, and the friends of the family will sincerely sympathize with them in their bereavement. Alderman Donaldson held an inquest in the absence of the Coroner, who is engaged in working on the fortifications.

Incendiary Fire in Allegheny.

On Wednesday evening, about nine o'clock, a large stable in the rear of and attached to the tavern of Mr. V. Stork, (old Wm. Penn House,) on Ohio street, Allegheny, caught fire and was totally destroyed. There was no person in the stable at the time, and as the fire bursted out in the mow, among the hay, the conclusion is that it was set on fire. There were several horses in the stable, but they were removed without much difficulty. The steamers were promptly on the ground, but the fire seon exhausted the material and ceased. The Hook and Ladder company rendered very good service.

Pocket Picked.

Last evening, about ten o'clock, Mrs. Robinson, residing in Colonade row, Federal st., had her pocket picked of a small sum of money while riding in one of the Manchester passenger cars, between the Allegheny Diamond and her residence. She had scarcely stepped from the car when she discovered the larceny, and hailing the driver, the car was stopped. That instant the thief (a well dressed man who sat alongside of her) jumped up and darted out of the car, followed by his light fingered companion. They disappeared in the darkness and were not pursued.

Join the Regiment.

Now that uniforms and complete equipment have been provided for the Fifteenth Regiment, the company officers will accept a few more active young men, to fill up to the maximum. Citizens who think we should have a permanent and efficient military organization should aid in filling its ranks.

THE STORES IN ALLEGHENY.—At a meeting of Allegheny merchants, held last evening, it was resolved to keep their stores closed until Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock, to allow all to go on the fortifications. Customers are requested to defer purchasing till that time.

WM. SMITH,
JAMES CALDWELL,
THOMPSON & GROETZINGER,
ALEX. LEGGATE,
JOHN BROWN, Jr.

BENEFIT OF MR. CHIPPENDALE.—The popular comedian, Mr. F. Chippendale, takes a benefit at the theatre this evening, upon which occasion two choice standard plays will be presented—"The Soldier's Daughter" and "The Golden Farmer." Mr. C. is a clever actor and a very worthy gentleman, and his friends should not overlook his claims.

VIGILANT PIC-NIC.—The annual pic nic of the Vigilant Fire Company will take place to-day at McKee's Rocks. The steamer Oil City will leave the foot of Penn street, for the grounds, at nine, eleven and two o'clock, precisely.

DIED:

MORRIS—June 24th, 1863, of inflammation of the bowels, in the 6th year of his age, THOS. MORRIS.

His funeral will take place on FRIDAY MORNING, June 26th, at 10 o'clock. The friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

The Untutored Slave.

Mrs. SWISSHELM, in one of her letters from Campbell Hospital, Washington, relates the following:

Lying in the dusk of evening, a few days ago, for an hour's rest preparatory to my night walk through the wards, one of the contraband laundresses of the establishment walked noiselessly into my room with a "good evening missus, I tot you was lonesome!"

She is a full black, with all the unlovely outlines of her race. A question or two started her voluble tongue. She is from Virginia, but at the name of her native State made a most expressive gesture of disgust, saying:

"Take away Virginia! Can't hab her! Don't want neber to see her! I born and bred dare; and all day long it was the sweat and the blood a pourin' down, de sweat and de blood a pourin' down, de sound ob de cowhide and the screams! Don't want neber see Virginy; can't hab her, no more dan de Lord hab a sinner in heaben 'fore he washed and regenerated by de blood of Christ!"

Then she broke off into a lamentation, swaying herself back and forth saying:

"When I sees dese poor dash men a lyin' a sufferin and a groanin and a dyin, and tink dat if it hadn't been for dem I'd a been a slave dis day, an all my people'll a bin slaves dis day; when I tinks dat its dem dat broke de chain ob slabery and lat de 'pressed go free; when I see dem a sufferin, and a groanin, and a cryin, an knows dat I cant do nuffin for dem, it 'pears jis like de Lord Jesus a sufferin for sinners."

Where got this "*stupid negro*" such an idea of the great law of atonement?

Let the reader turn to Luke x, 21, and he will find the answer to Mrs. Swisshelm's question; and a little reflection may probably suggest the cause of this great controversy.

At the meeting of the Executive Committee, held last night, the reports of the men working on the different lines of fortifications were called for:

M'KEEVER'S HILL, NORTH SIDE, ALLEGHENY—SQUADS NO. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, CAPT. SHORPLIN.

Gregg, Clecander & Co.	43	John Fisher,	7
Chas. Schoeflin	21	John Ort,	7
John Peiffer	14	W. P. Logan,	6
Henry Geyer	11	John Ealyd,	6
John Meyer,	12	Han Hoodmer,	8
H. Afterbyde,	12	Wm. Langkemp.	6
F. Copert,	11	Albricht & Beck,	8
Fayette barrel factory,	12	Fred. Redman,	5
John Kentz.	9	John Helm,	4
Neuhan & Hetzel,	11	George Solomon,	4
Daum Bros.,	10	Gotlelb Hummer,	4
Guttendorf, Miller & Co.	8	John Houck,	3
Jacob Smith,	7	Kounlah,	1
Henry Herr,	8	Anton,	1
Robt. Bole,	7	Taylor,	5
Fred. Helm,	7	O. Sonders,	12
Men			285

SQUAD NO. 5, CAPT. ANSHUTZ.

H. Anshutz,	12	Roedel & Co.,	1
S. K. Rodgers,	4	M'Graw & Co.,	1
R. Kennedy & Bro.,	6	Tiernan & Geltz,	6
Blanhagen,	2	W. H. McGee,	4
A. & J. McKenney,	3	Citizens,	18
Men			57

CAPT. OFFICER—SQUAD 10.

Richey, cooper	8	J. D. Glass	5
Editor	14	Heath & Officer	15
Donnellp	5	John Heath	5
Men			52

CAPT. SMITH—SQUAD 12.

C. C. Smith	3	C. Gelbe	5
G. Gerst	4	Joe Huckenstein	3
Henry Shaeffer	3	J. Berringer	3
Henry Weisner	4	Citizens	35
Jacob Hyde	3		
Men			63

CAPT. M'DONALD—SQUAD 13.

Shank & McDonald	20	Citizens	54
J. B. & S. Maxwell	8		
Men			80
Total			800

Robert Porter, 2 horses and wagon; S. K. Rogers, horse and wagon; Archibald Haslett, 2 horses and plow; John Heath, horse and ca t; Heath & Officer, horse and car; France, brickmaker, 3 teams; James McAllister, supper for night-watch.

MOUNT WASHINGTON.

McKnight & Co	150
Graff, Bennett & Co	170
B. A. Fahnestock, Son & Co	11
A. & D. N. Chambers	140
Jones & Laughlins	80
Boswell & Pears	55
Bolsman & Garrison	43
S. McKee & Co	16
J. & A. Hays	35
Johnson	15
Atterbery & Reddick	112
Porter & Dilworth	29
King & Co	25
Ada s	275
James Wood & Co	185
Zug & Painter	180
Tavern and Eating House Keepers	85
Singer, Nimick & Co	66
Falmestock, Albree & Co	14
Woolrich Oil Works	65
Wm. McCully & Co	70
Tobacconists	140
Lyon, Shorb & Co	90
Wood, Mathews & Co	85
J. Hill inger & Co	125
Robinson, Minnis & Co	
Total	2535

DAVIS' HILL.

A Bradley	114
Zug & Painter	33
Hussey, Wells & Co	174
Lewis Dalzell & Co	265
McIntosh, Hemphill & Co	24
James B. Lyon & Co	40
Jos. Myer & Son	25
Insley, Ne Son & Co	40
Pierson & Co	27
Spang, Chalfant & Co	175
Glen Shaw	36
James Marshall & Co	68
Hallman, Eaton & Co., Iron and Coal Works	220
Sagebarger & Co	270
Citizens Hampden township	37
Knapp, Rudd & Co	130
McCully & Co	78
Mitchell, Herron & Co	56
Lockhart & Frew	3
J. B. Hunt	24
Better, Hartman & Co	4
J. B. Bell	6
Faber & Co	10
Jones, Walingford & Co	65
Hais on & Co	8
Caldwell & Anderson	4
Perkins & Fleeker	20
Men and soldiers Acting Guard	57
Citizens of East Liberty	
John Shuff horse and wagon	
Total	2109

TURTLE CREEK.

Pennsylvania Railroad	272
Clarke	38
R. G. McFarlan & Co	54
Dickson, Stuart & Co	62
Wilkinsburgh	10
Newmyer Graff & Co	51
Scott, Glass	1
Henry B. Chalfant, 2 horse team, and men	2

The following is the report from Cemetery Hill, Allegheny, with the number of men on duty on Tuesday, June 24, 1863:

White & Alexander	21
John Neely	4
Barr & Moser	4
John Weir & Co	5
James Caldwell	4
Samuel Gordon	4
Lowe, Mackey & Co	4
R. D. Cochran	4
R. H. Davis	4
J. hn Morrison	2
H. Fire	2
G. Bel	35
Citizens	3
Wm. Semple	2
H. Gerwig	2
George Osmond	2
J. H. Lucbely	3
John Bults	5
A. Cagneron	62
Citizens	2
Wm. Lehzeller	2
Wm. Tate, Jr. & Co	3
Wm. Miller	4
Wm. Boyd & Co	5
Robert Hay	2
H. Denny	2
N. Vanck	9
R. Elton	2
H. Heim	2
Wm. S. Gilland	17
G. & E. Bothwell	4
Wm Earcy	2
J. F. McDonald	2
A. McIntosh	50
Citizens	6
George Dalzall	2
St. Bishart	35
F. F. Breckert	8
Citizens	2
Sinkond & Andreck	2
Noble, Angle & Co	2
U. F. McGeary	17
Housebeck & Co	3
Wm. Stewart	5
F. Beckhart	2
J. C. Fahlinstine	2
Citizens	5
Arthur Hobson	2
John Brown, Jr	2
Wm. H. Walker	5
James Ray	2
James Herndon	2
Peter Mertz	2
John Targart	2
Charles Dwellen and two horses	2
Stephen Mercer	2
Robert Henderson	2
Robert Wise, McNaugher & Co	2
Citizens	2
J. L. Knox	2
Forrester & McGraw	2
Dunlap & Luker	2
Gilland & Orr	2
Wm. H. McGee & Co	4
Pitts. Ft. Wayne & Chicago R. R. (Gen. Office)	2
J. Voughtley & Co	10
M. McDonigle	2
Citizens	5
J. J. East	5
Tate & Ferills	3
J. Patterson	38
Citizens	20
Smith & Bungey	12
H. T. Kennedy & Co., 5 horses	4
S. B. Smith, 1 two-horse team	3
C. O. Bayl	3
Wm. S. Ryster	2
Harper & Delks	2
Columbus Coleman	5
S. B. Smith	3
Wm. Boyd & Co	29
Wm. McKee & Co	2
A. Reed	8
Wm. Dilworth	6
Neese, Moore & Co	7
Mafit & Old	8
E. Hyde	2
Nuttell & Kirkpatrick	55
Citizens	110
P. Ft. W. & C. R. R.	
Total	797
Horses	10

Respectfully submitted.
JAS. CALDWELL, for Committee.

SQUIRREL HILL.

Fort Pitt Glass Works	46
Wood Street Merchants and Clerks, Capt. Stein	48
Robert Lea	22
H. M. Bole	8
Thorn & Co	34
James Rees	14
J. H. Jenks	24
E. Wormser & Co	88
Black & Woods, 18 carts and horses	22
W. S. Haven	18
A. Fulton & Son	27
Wm. Barnhill & Co	31
Douglass & English	5
Black & Shales	2
Tim. McGraw	1
F. Cassy	20
J. O. Buffum	20
P. Elmes	55
R. & J. Watson	45
W. H. Brown, Coal Works	20
Laughlin & Co	60
Graff & Co	25
Hostetter & Smith	25
Brush, Jared M	1
Wightman & Anderson	58
R. S. Fowler & Co	12
Hopkins & Bichey	9
McQuonan & Douglass	9
D. Tarnell	49
Prestin & Foster	22
Carroll & Snyder	6
Dispatch Office	13
Cornell & Kerr	
McKee & Bro	78
Fall & Lane	8
Capt. Cornwall's Squad	18
Captain Frances' Squad	12
King & Pennock	13
Carlin & Stewart	9
Cheap John	2
George H Anderson	2
Lozier & Gregg	3
Wise's Exchange	9
Watson & Monroe	23
John Redman	15
Howard's Paper Mill	3
Thompson & Co	11
John Fullerton	3
Woodside & Wallace	1
Bryce, Richards & Co	31
Walton, Phillips & Co	20
Haigh & Co., J. P.	33
Bartupes & Co	40
Hartman & Co	6
Langkamp & Wundarlich	9
B. Singsely	10
Watson & Monroe	23
M. Porter	3
Citizens	27
Kelr, Glover & Co	15
Robinson & Campbell	9
R. H. Palmer, Jr	7
Soldiers from the 15th Regiment	30
Teamsters	25
M. Boyd	3
Total	1461

AT HERRON'S HILL.

Brewer, Burke & Co.	18	Fleming Bros.	11
Harrison Bros	19	Davis & Phillips	12
J. Bonn (Tuesday)	13	Clark & Co	7
do (Wednesday)	26	Shallenberger	11
Reese & Graff	15	D. & N. Police	55
Stuith, Park & Co } Park Bros. & Co }	265	Lippincott & Co.	120
Park, McCurdy & Co }		R. Hall & Co	12
Capt. Smith's Company, consisting of citizens of Market, Wood & Liberty sts	125	Graff, Bennett & Co	128
Capt. Bates' Company, consisting of merchants and clerks from Market & 4th	110	P. Hill	25
Capt. Love's Company, consisting of merchants and clerks from Market, Fifth and Wylie streets	120	G. & T. Moul	20
Cadman & Crawford	18	Harvey & Co	15
Capt. White's company consisting of citizens of the two cities	130	Capt. Bulger's Company, consisting of citizens of Smithfield	130
Novelty Works	95	Brown & Co	176
C. G. Hussey & Co	67	Kloman & Co	32
W. W. Wallace	12	Allen, McCurmich & Co	11
Robert Iseler	9	Citizens of 4th Ward	66
Wm. Rowbottom	14	Lloyd & Black	152
Graham & Fisher	21	Guthrie & Bill	20
Burton, Marum & Co	8	A. Hilemas	11
Neely & Hen	10	Wm. B. Searle	22
Thos. Moore	10	Jones, Boyd & Co	12
J. B. Verner	4	Draymen & carters	150
A. Ballow	2	Phillips & Best	71
Fleming & Tomens	1	West & Co	24
Lupton, Olden & Co.	5	Capt. Baker's company consisting of merchants and clerks from 5th and Wylie	87
Mrs. Charlotte Blume	4	Bissell & Co	45
George Reiman & Co.'s Eating House	2	Anderson & Phillips	37
Reiman, Meyran & Seidle	4	Soho Works	50
A. Brownfield & Bros.	7	Merchants and Clerks from Market and 5th streets	107
James Robb	4	White, Orr & Co.	15
Wm. E. Schmertz & Co.	10	Joseph Woodwell & Co.	1
S. Reese	8	Henry Voegley, on his own hook	3 days
J. G. Clouse	3		
A. Tindale	3		

Joseph Plummer reported money received from the following gentlemen:

Cash	$ 20 00
Mr. Payton, Engineer	2 00
J. G. Coffin	5 00
John L. Daws	5 00
Haltzerman & Wederhold	5 00
R. P. Flannikin	5 00
J. P. Eastup	10 00
George Fortune	5 00

David Baldwin and Adam Wainsman were appointed a Committee to collect money south of the Monongahela.

Resolved, That all manufacturing establishments be closed, whether working on government work or not, unless Col. Whitley gives a written request to have them excused from closing.

On motion of Gen. Moorhead, it was then resolved that the thanks of this Committee and the entire community, are hereby tendered to the wholesale and retail dealers of the city for their loyal and patriotic action in declining to open their places of business, until the expiration of the present week, being determined to render all the aid they possibly can towards completing the fortifications.

Resolved, That this committee earnestly charge all persons having charge of squads working at any of the fortifications round the city from supplying them with intoxicating liquors.

The committee on closing stores report that the places of business were generally closed, with a few exceptions, and that the few manufactures and operators on government work say that if the executive committee so direct, they will close at once and send their employees to the fortifications. The committee also recommend that an additional committee be appointed for Allegheny city.

The following gentlemen were added to the Allegheny committee on supplies to the fortifications north of the Allegheny, to report at M'Keever's Hill at 7 o'clock Thursday morning:

REV. JOHN C. STEEL,
ALEX. LEGATT
WM. SEMPLE,
JOHN WRIGHT,
JOHN ATWATT,
R. B. FRANCIS,
H. M. DUNLAP.

EXPLANATORY.—For efficiency in working the men engaged on the entrenchments on Herron's Hill, they are consolidated into gangs of fifty men or more, each se as to be operative under the direction of a single superintendent. This plan of organization is also required in justice to the men, that they may be regularly relieved when their hour is up. It therefore follows that the reports handed in to Mr. Thurston of the men engaged in this convenient organization embrace frequently the smaller squads, numbering from one up to ten and fifteen men, which may belong to a particular firm or factory; and it is impossible for him to preserve the nice distinction, because they are not always so reported to him. Mr. Thurston, we are confident, is not culpable for any omissions in his reports, from either indifference or negligence, and whose other duties on that line of entrenchments totally prevents a careful personal inquiry into the belongings of these embraced in each separate squad.

HARPER, Godey, Atlantic, and Peterson, for July, have been received at Pittock's, opposite the Post-office.

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.—All persons are hereby notified that the Partnership heretofore existing between WESLEY COULTER and GUY L. SMITHSON, in the Painting Business, under the name and style of COULTER & SMITHSON, is hereby dissolved. Those having claims against the firm will please present them, and those being indebted to said firm will please make payment to the undersigned, at his Shop No. 59 Fourth street, Pittsburgh, as he has been authorized to settle up the business of the firm.

WESLEY COULTER.

N. B.—The Painting Business will be carried on as usual by me, at No. 57 Fourth street, Pittsburgh.

WESLEY COULTER.

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For sale by J. KIRKPATRICK & BROTHERS,
189 and 191 Liberty street.

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CHEESE.—50 boxes prime W. Cheese just received at

SCHOMAKER & LANE'S.

FROM WASHINGTON.

Mail Dispatches to the Pittsburgh Gazette.

WASHINGTON, June 23, 1863.

The military situation is about this: Gen. Hooker's army is tolerably well in hand, stretching in front of Washington, with outlying cavalry beyond the Bull Run mountains and the Gaps that enter the Shenandoah Valley. The whereabouts of Lee's army is variously stated. Gen. Hooker is understood to believe now that the bulk of the rebel army is in the Shenandoah Valley, while the people in Baltimore are under the impression that it is already menacing their city and are hurriedly accumulating means for its defense. While others believe it to be moving for an attack on the Maryland side, still, others insist that it is moving westward with all possible rapidity towards Pittsburgh, or down the Kanawha Valley to Marietta, Ohio.

Military operations are covered by such a cloud of feints, demonstrations in the Valley, over in Maryland, in Southern Pennsylvania, that there is great difficulty in forming an accurate opinion as to location or intentions.

It is altog ther certain that now no enemy is in the Bull Run Valley, or anywhere east of the Blue Ridge, in Virginia, except several detachments of cavalry.

GOVERNMENT CENSORSHIP.

It is proper to state that the meagre nature of the special telegraphic dispatches from your Washington office is mainly attributable either to the vagaries of the prentice government censor, or the occupation of certain portions of the telegraph lines west by government business to the exclusion of all private or press messages.

The censor, Mr. Lynch, is a clerk in the War Department, with no experience fitting him for the position, and his conduct on several occasions has shown him to be without judgment to warrant his appointment to any responsible place. No better illustration could be found than his first demonstration on these dispatches. Some time ago he suppressed a dispatch, one column in length, giving an account by an eye-witness of Kilpatrick's raid from the Peninsula to Urbana. The identical account appeared here in full in the Government organ, but the prudent young censor thought it would be greatly detrimental to the public interests to send this account of a Government success west. It is supposed that since the present movement began, the dispatches are being trimmed by the same rule.

Mr. (Pet) Halstead, whom few of our readers will fail to remember in connection with the famous Kearney letters concerning Gen. McClellan, which were written home by Gen. Kearney and finally by him given to the public, has been involved in a difficulty with the New York *Herald*, about which his cards are herewith published.

"*To the Editors and Managers of an Independent Press:*

The following card speaks for itself. In addition, I would add that the representative of the *Herald* at Washington, through whose hands the slanderous article passed, and under whose direction the same was telegraphed, refuses to take the responsibility of the publication, give the names of the officers referred to, or the author of the libel, or publish my card.

I trust that those of you to whose attention this may come will give it such insertion or notice as may seem just and proper, and help break up a growing and outrageous evil and nuisance—that of publishing malicious falsehoods and unwarrantable attacks on private citizens.

O. S. HALSTED, JR.

The New York *Herald* of the 19th of June, 1863, contains the following:

"*A Personal Rencontre.*—At Willard's Hotel, to-night, 'Pet Halsted' was the author of quite an angry emeute. Having recently returned from the North, he was asked if he had seen Gen. McClellan, whereupon he replied that he had not, nor did he wish to see such a damned coward. An army officer immediately resented the indignity to the former commander of the Army of the Potomac by spitting upon Halsted, while a naval officer announced him in the most opprobrious terms, before the large crowd which had accumulated in the hall after the commencement of the conversation."

I pronounce the article a willful, wicked and malicious libel and lie—its author a base, unprincipled scoundrel and coward. Who are the valiant officers that with impunity spat upon and denounced Halsted, as stated? and who, knowing "Pet Halsted," can be made to believe any such vile slander?

O. S. HALSTED, JR.

Washington, June 19, 1863.

We were present on the occasion referred to by Mr. Halsted, and join in branding the statement as an unqualified falsehood.

HORATIO AKES,
J. P. BULL,
W. H. COGSWELL,
J. W. GRIFFITHS,
A. H. FOSS.

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ATTENTION, RETURNED VOLUNTEERS!—The attention of our country's brave defenders recently returned from the seat of war, and of the public in general, is again directed to the very extensive and handsome assortment of the latest styles of French, English and American piece goods, for pants, coats and vests, lately received by Messrs. John Weler & Co., Merchant Tailors, No. 128 Federal street, Allegheny. A tasteful selection of gentlemen's furnishing goods will also always be found on the shelves of the establishment, together with a lot of ready-made clothing, got up in the best manner.

JUST RETURNED FROM THE EAST.—Samuel Graham, Merchant Tailor, would respectfully inform his friends and the public in general that he has just returned from the East with his new stock of Spring and Summer Goods, consisting of all the latest styles of c