Pittsburgh Gazette.

MONDAY MORNING:.....JAN. 4, 1864.

CITY AND SUBURBAN.

OFFICIAL PAPER.

Railroad Collision—A Man Burnt to Death.

On Friday night, between ten and eleven o'clock, a serious collision occurred at Homewood station, on the Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne and Chicago Railway, between two freight trains. Train No. 9, which left for the west during Friday forenoon, fell behind several hours, on account of the roughness of the weather and the intense cold. At Homewood, which is only a few miles west of New Brighton, this train was so far behind that it was running on the time of No. 11, which left this city for the west at six o'clock in the evening of the same day. The Mail from the west was also due, and the conductor of No. 9 stopped his train, sent his brakesman back to signal No. 11, and went himself forward to stop the Mail. Soon after, No. 11 came crushing into the rear of No. 9. The first car struck was a "wreck car," filled with materials and implements for removing the wrecks of trains. It was completely smashed, and partly driven into the "caboose car," upsetting the stove, in which there was a large fire. Near the stove was a large can of oil, which was also upset, and soon in a blaze. There was one man in the "wreck car," and three in the "caboose." The former, by cutting his way out with an axe, escaped. Two of the men in the "caboose" were released by climbing up through the broken roof. The third man, a drover, named Woodruff, residing near Fort Wayne, Indiana, was supposed to have been severely injured, and being unable to extricate himself, he perished in the flames. After the fire had been extinguished, the bones of the unfortunate man were found lying upon the track. It is alleged that the brakesman of No. 9 failed to signal No. 11, as he was instructed to do. The engineer stated that he saw a white light, but the man gave no signal to stop. The glass was so obscured with ice, however, that the signal may have been made without the engineer seeing it—the brakesman contending that he did make the proper signal. The Mail was properly signaled, and no further damage resulted, further than to delay and disarrange the trains.

The Draft in the 22d District.

Tuesday (to-morrow) the 5th of January, being the last day, previous to the draft, upon which claims for exemption upon the ground of alienage, unsuitableness of age, non-residence, or manifest permanent disability, can be heard, the Board of Enrollment for the 22d District have been very busy hearing such claims, some twenty-three hundred of which have been filed.

To-day (Monday) claims from number nineteen hundred to number two thousand will be heard, and on Tuesday those numbered from two thousand to twenty-one hundred.

For a few days past the number of applicants answering to their names has very sensibly decreased, and those applying for examination for disability have been few and far between. Those whose numbers have been passed find it difficult to have a hearing unless they should happen in at a slack time, usually between twelve and one and four and five o'clock.

Cases of election by parent will be heard at any time previous to the draft, but should, if possible, be attended to during this week.

The result of the hearings from December 7th to December 31st was the exemption of twelve hundred and sixty-one, on the following grounds, viz:

Alien	453
Over thirty-five and married	346
Under twenty and over forty-one years	20
Permanent physical disability	250
Enrolled and residing elsewhere	21
By elections of parents	33
Now in service	46
In service on March 34	46
Postponed for evidence	7
Claimants who did not answer	209

Some idea of the labors of the Board of Enrollment may be formed from an examination of these figures.

No order has been received concerning the publication of the names of those to be stricken from the enrollment.

The Manchester Passenger Railway—A Pleasant Re-Union.

On Thursday night, or rather Friday morning, at the hour of twelve—the very first hour of the New Year—the employees of the Pittsburgh, Allegheny and Manchester Passenger Railway, through the kindness and courtesy of the Directors, celebrated the fourth anniversary of the company, by a grand supper, gotten up at Hubley's, on Fourth street. A splendid repast was prepared, at which an abundance of game, oysters, cake, ice-cream, and other delicacies, was served. There were present about forty employees of the company, a number of the Directors, and several invited guests.

After supper, the gentlemanly Secretary and Treasurer, A. S. Bell, Esq., made a neat and appropriate speech, referring to the inception of the enterprise, and giving a humorous sketch of the running of the first car. The difficulties through which the company struggled, during its early history, were briefly recounted, and contrasted with the present gratifying and prosperous condition of the road. Mr. Bell complimented the drivers and other employees of the company, for the faithfulness and fidelity with which they had discharged their duties, and remarked that he was exceedingly gratified to meet them under such pleasing and agreeable circumstances.

Joseph Kirkpatrick, Esq., the able and energetic President of the company, was everywhere present, attending to the comfort of the guests, extending those little civilities which make occasions of this character so pleasing and happy. Under his direction, and with the counsel of a very intelligent and practical Board of Directors, the affairs of this company have been conducted in a manner satisfactory to the public, and with fidelity to the interests of the stockholders.

The party separated about two o'clock, and the employees and others were conducted to their homes on special cars ordered for that purpose.

Eighth Ward Nominations.

There was a very animated contest, on Saturday evening, between the Union Republican voters of the Eighth Ward—being a continuation of the struggle which grew out of the late Mayoralty contest. The following is the result of the election—those nominated being marked [*]:

SELECT COUNCIL.		JUDGE.	
Samuel Marquet*	201	James Ewing*	202
Robert Onward	133	Alex. McDonald	70
COMMON COUNCIL.		INSPECTOR.	
Henry E. Wilkie*	203	Joseph Stettler*	150
Reuben J. Leonard*	152	Jacob Ecebler	111
Rowland Jones*	151	ASSESSOR.	
John M. Killin	100	Thomas Neely*	202
Wm. Hutchison	107	Alex. McDonald	68
Hall Patterson	92	ASSISTANT ASSESSOR.	
SCHOOL DIRECTORS.		John J. Stowe	No opp.
Francis Fredcrick*	224	E. McCoy Stille	
John A. Sergeant*	221	CONSTABLE.	
Daniel Etzell	164	George W. Shaffer*	175
		Andrew J. Moon	141

SECOND WARD, ALLEGHENY.—The Committee appointed to attend to the selection of Block Committees, and to transact other business connected with the raising of the quota in the Second Ward, Allegheny, met on Saturday evening, when all of the Block Committees reported and agreed to serve. The Secretary, Mr. Stevenson, was authorized to prepare the necessary blank books, which can be had this morning, at ten o'clock, at the office of the Allegheny Trust Company. The Committee will meet again on Wednesday evening, at the Town Hall, to hear the reports of the Block Committees.

GRADUATED at this week's examination in Duff's Mercantile College, Pittsburgh, T. W. Forbes, Centre Belpre, O.; James M. Graham, Newton Hamilton, Pa.; D. M. Jones, Tyrone, Pa.; O. P. Jones, Phillipsburg, Pa.; James W. Dihm, Pittsburgh; all whom passed an honorable examination, and who will, no doubt, hereafter distinguish themselves by their superior attainments in business. Each Graduate was awarded the elegant diploma of the College, printed upon fine parchment, and as a memorial of his exemplary deportment and application was presented by the Faculty with a copy of the College Gems of penmanship.

PRESENTATION.—The employees and others connected with the *Gazette* office, on Saturday evening presented to the Foreman, Mr. D. L. Fleming, a beautiful American watch, as a token of their esteem and regard for him as a man and a workman. The watch contained the following inscription:—"To D. L. Fleming, Esq., from his friends of the Pittsburgh *Gazette*." Mr. Fleming is an excellent printer, and as a Foreman, we have always found him correct, reliable and faithful, and we can cordially endorse the compliment which his fellow-workmen have paid him.

DESERTERS SENT BACK.—Edward McCaffrey and Michael Stapleton, deserters from the Army of the Potomac, were on Saturday sent back to their regiments.

Our Book Table.

A COMPENDIOUS HISTORY OF ENGLISH LITERATURE, AND OF THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE, from the Norman Conquest. With numerous Specimens. By George L. Craik, L. L. D., Professor of History and of English Literature in Queen's College, Belfast. In two volumes. New York: Charles Scribner. Pittsburgh: for sale by B. S. Davis, 93 Wood street, 630 and 632 Smithfield street, etc.

The first outline of this excellent work on English Literature was traced in the chapters on the same subject contributed by Professor Craik to the "Pictorial History of England," published, if we remember rightly, under the auspices of the "Society for the Diffusion of Useful Knowledge," by that well-known and most worthy successor of Aldus Minutius and Caxton, the author-publisher Charles Knight, of Ludgate street, in the city of London, twenty or thirty years ago. Subsequently to the publication of that somewhat ponderous series of volumes, (the authorship of which was divided between Professor Craik and Charles Macfarlane, an industrious and successful writer of several other historical and miscellaneous works), Professor Craik greatly extended those chapters—in a new work published in 1845, in six small volumes, entitled "Sketches of the History of Literature and Learning in England from the Norman Conquest to the Present Time,"—and added a most judicious selection of specimens from the writings of the various authors, whose works are the landmarks of the history of our language and the progress of our literature—specimens more successfully presenting the characteristics of each literary period, and of each individual writer, than, so far as we have been able to discover, had ever before illustrated any history of English Literature. The volumes of the "Sketches," as will have been inferred from what we have just said, have been numbered among our favorites ever since their publication. The present work, however, is still an advance beyond that point of excellence attained in its predecessor. But we will let the author himself state what relation the one bears to the other. He says: "I have only revised and retouched here, and not sought to rewrite, whatever as it there stood still sufficiently expressed what I had to say. The present work, therefore, it will be understood, comprehends and incorporates all of the former one (now out of print) which it has been considered desirable to preserve. It is, in truth, in the main a republication of that, though with many alterations and some curtailments, as well as considerable additions and enlargements. I have ever retained, though hardly coming under the new title, the summaries of the progress of Scientific Discovery in successive periods, as not taking up very much room, and supplying a good many dates and other facts which in following the history of literature it is sometimes convenient to have at hand." The student of English literature who shall place these volumes by Professor Craik side by side on his library shelf, or table, with those worthy companion ones by our countryman, George P. Marsh, which relate to the same subject, but without trenching upon, much less superseding the former, will find himself exceedingly well provided for in this important and delightful department of study. As to the style in which the publishers have brought out the work, it deserves much praise; the printing has been done as the famous Riverside press, and the papers of that texture and tint which approve themselves to all readers.

THE SCHOOL GIRL'S GARLAND. A Selection of Poetry in Four Parts. By Mrs. C. M. Kirkland. First Series. Parts First and Second. New York: Chas. Scribner. Pittsburgh: for sale by B. S. Davis, 93 Wood street. 56pp. 16mo.

As the above title-page intimates, this volume contains the two first parts of a selection of poetry suited to the tastes and requirements of girlhood. Mrs. Kirkland, whose name has long been familiar to the public as the author of "A New Home," and several other popular books, has brought together in this beautifully printed volume nearly two hundred poems, which commend themselves as worthy of being marked as flowers from poetic fields, which might form such a "Garland" as that proposed.

A Gross Outrage.

On Friday, a colored minister residing in Barnesville, Ohio, procured a ticket and took a seat in the train for Wellsville, Ohio. He had not been seated long when some soldiers, on their way home to Michigan, entered the car. One of them ordered the colored man to leave his seat, which he refused to do, remarking that he had paid his fare. The soldier then drew a knife and stabbed the unoffending man in the breast, inflicting a painful but not dangerous wound. He was taken to the office of Dr. Dake, where his wound was properly dressed. The name of the soldier is unknown, but he had been put out of the Subsistence Room, the previous day, for disorderly conduct. His arrest has been ordered by telegraph.

Mr. Kirke's Lecture.

The lecture of Edmund Kirke, on Saturday evening, was attended by a small but very select audience. Owing to the exceeding cold weather, it was not expected that the house would be filled. Indeed, many of those who held tickets, doubtless remained at home, being compelled to forego the anticipated pleasure of listening to Mr. Kirke, rather than submit to the punishment which Jack Frost would have visited on them. Those who were present, however, were well repaid, as the lecture was full of important facts and views obtained from personal observation and experience in the South—from the great interest at the present time, and views replete with instruction to those who watch closely the progress of events.

A Singular Confession.

On Saturday evening, a woman named Mary Smith, alias Keefe, visited the Mayor's office, in Allegheny, and, producing an empty pocket book, stated that she had stolen it from Rev. Samuel Findley, residing at Squirrel hill. She had been living in the vicinity, she stated, and gaining access to Mr. Findley's study, she took the pocket book from his desk. It contained thirty-five or forty dollars, in "greenbacks," which she alleged she had hidden in a certain place—telling one of the officers where it could be found. The pocket book can be seen at the Mayor's office in Allegheny. The woman was committed to jail.

Raftsmen Drowned.

It is stated that two men were drowned off a raft, in the Ohio river, at the head of Brunot Island, on Thursday last. Their raft had struck a pier of one of the bridges, and become unmanageable. The ice was running very heavy at the time, and as they passed down opposite the lower end of the First Ward, Allegheny, they were crying loudly for help, but no one could reach them. At the head of the island their raft parted, and they both sank and were not seen afterwards. A gentleman residing in the vicinity vouches for the truth of the statement.

A DONATION VISIT.—On New Year's eve, a number of ladies and gentlemen connected with the First United Presbyterian Church, paid a visit to the residence of their pastor, Rev. William J. Reid, carrying with them a large supply of articles, both useful and ornamental. The pastor and his excellent lady were very agreeably surprised, and after partaking of a bountiful supper, and spending a time in pleasant social intercourse, the party separated, carrying with them the warmest thanks of their pastor and his lady.

DR. BODENHAMER.—We take pleasure in directing the attention of our readers to the fact that Dr. W. H. Bodenhamer, of New York, is now on a professional visit to this city, and has taken rooms at the Monongahela House. This gentleman is a son of Dr. W. Bodenhamer, a physician well and favorably known to our citizens. He practices medicine and surgery in general, and treats the same class of diseases which formed a specialty with his father. He comes highly recommended for skill and proficiency in his profession. His card will be found in another column.

LARCENY OF HOGS.—Wm. Clark, a lad residing in the vicinity of the cattle yards in Allegheny, was committed to jail on Saturday, by Mayor Alexander, to answer a charge of stealing hogs from Bernard Gray. Mr. Gray lost six hogs, and Clark, in company with several other boys, is charged with the larceny.

HANDS FROZEN.—A raftsman named Couch, arrived in this city on Saturday, with both hands so badly frozen that it is feared he will lose them by amputation. The cold was so intense on Friday and Saturday, that it was impossible for any man to endure it long on the river, or anywhere else in the open air.

DID NOT ARRIVE.—Vestvali, the actress, did not reach the city on Saturday, owing to the disarrangement of the trains, and hence she was unable to appear at the theatre, as announced. A large audience was present, the great majority of whom remained to witness the performance substituted for "Games."

COMMITTED.—An individual named John Rogers has been committed to jail for a further hearing to-day before U. S. Commissioner John H. Bailey, Esq., charged on the oath of J. H. Crisinger, Esq., with stealing letters from the postoffice at West Brownsville, Pa., on December 27th, 1863.

COAL BOATS LOST—MAN DROWNED.—Two boats, belonging to Mr. Bigley, which left this city last Wednesday, were struck at Grandview, below Wheeling, and one of the crew, named George Troope, was drowned. The others escaped. The deceased belonged to this city.

WOMAN KILLED.—A woman named O'Neill, wife of a man residing in Diamond alley, fell down a pair of stairs on Saturday evening, and injured herself to such an extent, that she died on Sunday. An inquiry was held, and a verdict of accidental death was rendered.

THE THIRD NATIONAL BANK.—We understand that the stockholders of the Third National Bank have purchased the property on the corner of Virgin alley and Wood street, for the purpose of converting the building into a banking house. The price paid is said to be $15,000.

THE HOUSE OF REFUGE.—The annual meeting of the contributors to the House of Refuge, will be held to-day at the office, No. 67, Fourth street, between the hours of nine and twelve o'clock, to hear the annual report and elect officers for the ensuing year.

VOLUNTEERS.—We would call attention to the advertisement for volunteers for Captain Howland's Telescopic Rifles. Same pay, bounties and credit to sub-districts, as other enlisted men.

SPECIAL LOCAL NOTICES.

THOMAS PARRY, Plain and Ornamental Slate Roofer, and dealer in Pennsylvania and Vermont slate of the best quality at low rates. Office at Alex. Laughlin's, near the Water Works, Pittsburgh, Pa.

PANORAMA OF THE BIBLE AT MASONIC HALL.—It will be seen by referring to the advertisement in another column, that this celebrated painting will be placed on exhibition on Monday evening. It comes to our city highly recommended, both by the press and clergy. The Cincinnati *Gazette* says of it: "The flowers, fruits, plants and trees of the East are truthfully and beautifully delineated. Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden, seem to be the personifications of purity and happiness. All nature around them appears smiling and joyful. But when in the thunders and lightnings of the flood are shown the outpourings of God's wrath, the horrors of the scene are wonderfully depicted. No one can fully understand the extraordinary merits of these pictures, without a visit to the Panorama."

CONSUMPTION CAN BE CURED.—MEDICATED OXYGEN AS A CURATIVE AGENT!—As will be seen by advertisement, Dr. Woodward has his office at No. 145 Fifth street, where reference can be had to citizens of Pittsburgh whom He has cured of consumption, sciatica, scrofula, rheumatism, and on whom he has caused the hair to grow "on the top of the head," with Oxygen and the Dermatobisticlon.

The oxygen is inhaled directly into the lungs, and through them is carried into the blood, expelling all impurities from the system, and healing any and every disease with which it may come in contact. The cause of disease is a lack of oxygen in the air we breathe; by inhaling oxygenized air, the blood becomes purified, and disease is at once overcome. The following letter is selected from among the many before us, showing what the Doctor has been doing in our midst. This letter is from one of our most intelligent and respectable citizens, who can be consulted at his residence, or place of business, by any who feel interested.

PITTSBURGH, PA., Dec. 29th, 1863.

To whom it may concern: This certificate that I have been afflicted with the consumption for the last two years; have been, during that time, under treatment with some of the best physicians of this and other States. I get no permanent relief from any. On the fifth day of this month, I was induced through the solicitation of friends to send for Dr. Woodward, who found me confined to my room and bed. I had not been out for six weeks; I had been discharged by two of the leading physicians of Pittsburgh, as incurable, only three days previous to calling in Dr. Woodward, and was told by them I could not live to exceed three or four week. I have been under treatment with Dr. Woodard three weeks, and am now entirely well, and attending to my business as usual. Dr. Woodard gave me each day medicated oxygenized air, and used the Dermatobisticlon on me four times during the treatment. I consider this a remarkable cure, for which I shall ever feel grateful to Dr. Woodard and his Medicated Oxygen.

No. 40 Reed st. W. H. MAY.

GENTLEMEN, have you examined the fall and winter stock of goods at the Merchant Tailoring establishment of Sam. Graham & Co., No. 54 Market street? If not, you have yet to see the finest, and save 20 per cent. in your clothing bill.

Every garment warranted a perfect fit.

SAMUEL GRAHAM, GEO. MCCANDLESS.

KENTUCKY BELLES APPRECIATE.—Mrs. Anne Nants, of Louisville, Ky., says in a letter:

"When in New York, this summer, I purchased by way of experiment, one bottle of Mrs. S. A. Allen's celebrated Hair Restorer and Lylobalsamum, which I have found valuable. I now write to have you send me a dozen of each by express, for the use of my friends."

Sold by druggists everywhere. Depot 193 Greenwich street, New York.

The above is for sale at Fulton's Drug Store, Fifth street.

BROWN'S BRONCHIAL TROCHES.—"Your Troches are too well and favorably known to need commendation."

HON. CHAS. A. PHELPS, Pres. Mass. Sen.

"My communication with the world has been very much enlarged by the Lozenges that which I now carry always in my pocket. Trouble is my abhorrence; for which the Troches are specific) having often made me a mere whisperer." N. P. WILLIS.

BROWN'S BRONCHIAL TROCHES. For sale at Fulton's Drug store, Fifth street.

ATTENTION, COMPANY!—Volunteers, who expect to retain their full rights, should carefully guard against the ravages of the camp, and not trust to the Army Surgeons, supply yourselves with HOLLOWAY'S PILLS AND OINTMENTS. Every English Soldier's Knapsack contains them. Only 25 cents per box or pot.

HOLLOWAY'S OINTMENT AND PILLS are for sale at Fulton's Drug store, Fifth street.

JUST RECEIVED AND READY FOR SALE.—The fine assortment of Fall and Winter Clothing, lately received by Messrs. John Wise & Co., Merchant Tailors, No. 148 Federal street, Allegheny. The stock of clothing consists of the finest variety of gents' pantaloons, vests, coats and overcoats. The style of patterns is tasteful and fashionable. We would invite all of our readers to give the above gentlemen a call.

THE English and Classic Academy, second floor, Allegheny Saving's Bank, Allegheny, conducted by Rev. J. Davis, A. M., resumes its regular day and evening classes on Monday, January 4, 1864.

WATCHES, JEWELRY, &c.—J. M. Roberts, No. 17 Fifth street, is now opening the most choice stock of fine Gold and Silver Watches, Jewelry, Silver ware and Fancy Goods ever displayed in this city, and is selling them at remarkably low prices.

C. SILL, Dentist, 148 Penn street, will attend to all business of his profession.

MARRIED:

COBKLE—PEPPARD.—On Thursday evening, December 31st, 1863, in the First M. P. Church, by Rev. Cowl, ALBERT COBKLE, of Pittsburgh, and SALLIE J. PEPPARD, of Georgetown, Pa.

SEIBERT—WAGLEY.—In Liberty street M. E. Church, Pittsburgh, on Thursday evening, December 31st, 1863, by the Pastor, Rev. W. A. Davidson, EDWARD J. SEIBERT, late Captain Co. F, 130th Regiment P. V., and Miss MAGGIE J. WAGLEY, of Allegheny City.

WALLACE—DIXON.—On the 31st of December, by the Rev. Thos. Johnston, Mr. GEORGE WALLACE, of Pine township, and Miss NANCY DIXON, of Richland township.

DE BARENNE—MORROW.—On the 31st of December, 1863, by the Rev. S. T. Stewart, at the residence of the bride's father, WM. E. DE BARENNE and Miss EMMA J. MORROW.

DIED:

COLTART.—Suddenly, of heart disease, December 6th, 1863, at Pemberton Castle, Richmond, WILLIAM COLTART, son of Joseph Coltart, of Oakland.

BENNETT.—On Thursday, December 31st, 1863, Capt. E. BENNETT, aged 88 years.

PIPER.—On Thursday, December 31st, JAMES E. PIPES, aged 41 years.

LEE.—On Saturday, the 23 inst., MARIA JANE LEE, daughter of Geo. H. and Anne J. Lee, aged 20 years and 6 days.

Funeral to take place from the residence of her parents, No. 23 Diamond alley, at 10 o'clock THIS MORNING. The friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

Light be the turf of thy tomb!
May its verdure like emeralds be:
There should not be the shadow of gloom,
In aught that reminds us of thee.

Young flowers and an evergreen tree
May spring from the spot of thy rest,
But not cypress nor yew let us see;
For why should we mourn for the blest?

THE LATEST NEWS
BY TELEGRAPH

OUR SPECIAL DISPATCHES.

FROM WASHINGTON.

Special Dispatch to the Pittsburgh Gazette.

WASHINGTON CITY, Jan. 3, 1864.

CONTEMPLATED RAID IN THE SHENANDOAH VALLEY BY THE REBELS.

Taking advantage of the recent cold snap which has rendered the roads somewhat passable, the rebels are reported concentrating in the Shenandoah valley, for the purpose of making a raid on Winchester and Martinsburg. The rebels are under command of Gen. Early. Gen. Kelly has made ample preparations for any enterprise of this sort, and the only fear is that they will abandon their design.

INVESTIGATION OF THE INTERIOR DEPARTMENT.

It is understood that at an early day, a movement will be made in Congress for the appointment of a special committee to investigate the affairs of the Interior Department. Inasmuch as so much has been said outside of the irregularities in this department, an investigation into its management cannot well be avoided. If such irregularities exist, they should be exposed. If current rumors are untrue, it is proper the public should know the fact, and a stop be put to such groundless imputations.

ANDREW JACKSON DONELSON IN TROUBLE.

Andrew Jackson Donelson, who ran for Vice President on the American ticket in 1856, is in trouble, having said that he would not trust Jeff. Davis farther than a blind mule could kick. He was arraigned for this, but let off, and when he returned home he found that his rebel friends had stolen all his corn and bacon. He is very bitter in his denunciations of the Confederates.

PROSPECT OF A LIVELY EPISODE.

If the cold weather continues a few days longer, the monotony of military affairs west of here may be broken in upon by a lively episode.

GEN. BUTLER TO ARRIVE HERE TO-MORROW.

Gen. Butler will be here to-morrow, to consult with the War Department in relation to the exchange of prisoners.

DISMISSED FROM SERVICE.

Lieut. Robt. P. Porter, of the Third Indiana Cavalry, has been dismissed from service by Court Martial.

DEATH OF U. S. SENATOR BOWDEN.

Hon. Sam'l J. Bowden, United States Senator from Virginia, died here yesterday of small pox.

RETURNED FROM THE WEST.

Mr. Speaker Colfax has returned from his visit west during the holidays.

River and Weather at Cincinnati—Arrival of Pittsburgh Coal Merchants—Trains Detained.

Special Dispatch to the Pittsburgh Gazette.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 3, 1864.

The river is stationary, with twenty-five feet in the channel—much floating ice. The weather is moderating rapidly, and some snow fell to-day—wind from the south, with indications of rain.

The America arrived from Pittsburgh last evening.

The following Pittsburgh coal men arrived here to-day: Sam'l J. Brown, Mr. Whitmore, George Miller, D. Kane and J. T. Herron.

The railroads are all out of time—Eastern mails, due last night, have not arrived, and the prospects are that they the trains will be able to make time to-morrow.

Bombardment of Charleston—A U. S. Gunboat Fired Into—The Battery Captured by Union Troops.

NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—Advices from Folly Island, received by the *Argo*, state that our guns at Cummings Point opened on the city of Charleston on Christmas morning, continuing the bombardment till three o'clock. Several shots were kindled in the city, which burned a considerable amount of property. The Rebel batteries replied without doing any damage.

The U. S. gunboat Marblehead was fired into by a rebel battery in Stono Inlet, and two men were killed and three wounded, but assisted by the Pawnee, she compelled the rebels to leave their works, and later in the day Gen. Gordon, with a detachment of men, landed and took possession of the works. The guns were subsequently brought off by the Pawnee. They were two eight inch sea coast howitzers. The rebel loss was one killed and two wounded.

Foreign News.

CAPE RACE, Jan. 2.—The steamer City of Baltimore, from Liverpool on the 22d and Queenstown on the 23d December, passed this point at one o'clock this morning.

The London *Times* had insinuated that the Arch-Duke Maximilian will not accept the Mexican crown, and that Napoleon will have to carry it alone for some one else.

King and Heenan had appeared before the magistrates, for breaking the peace, and both were bound over to appear at the Quarter Sessions.

The London *Globe* cautions its readers against the statement that Lord Lyons had telegraphed to Earl Russell predicting the termination of the war in six months.

Napoleon, in response to the address voted by the French Senate, asserted that he was actuated solely by good and pacific motives in his proposition for a Congress.

Mandamus Served—Severe Snow Storm—Re-enlistment of Troops—Rebel Prisoners Frozen to Death.

INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 2.—A writ of mandamus has been served on the Auditor of Indiana by the United States District Court, to compel the payment of interest on confiscated Indiana State Bonds.

We had a severe snow storm on Thursday and Friday, which has caused travel by railroad to be almost suspended. The weather is intensely cold, the mercury being twenty degrees below zero.

The 15th and 51st Indiana regiments arrived here to-day. They have re-enlisted as veterans. The 10th New York reached here to-day, on route for home.

Four rebel prisoners were frozen to death on the cars on their way from Jeffersonville to Chicago, on Thursday night.

Indianola (Texas) Occupied by Gen. Warren—Important Rebel Documents Captured—Expedition to Red River.

NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—The steamer Evening Star from New Orleans, with dates to the 27th ult., and Havana to the 29th ult., has arrived.

Gen. Fitz Henry Warren, with a considerable force, had embarked on the steamer Warrior, and crossing Matagorda bay, occupied Indianola without opposition.

Some important rebel documents were captured, and among them Gen. Magruder's address to the people of Western Texas.

An expedition of three negro regiments and one white regiment and a battery of artillery, under Gen. Ullman, had gone from New Orleans to the mouth of Red river.

Arrested.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—Two brothers named Aaron and Geo. Wolf, and Messrs. Benjamin and Enoss Hoffman, have been arrested and confined in Fort Lafayette for being concerned in the blockade running business. They are the blockade runners Margaret and Jessie. Messrs. J. D. Young and J. C. Budd have also been sent to Fort Lafayette as shippers of contraband goods. Other parties and also visitants of the hotel here known as the headquarters of those of secession proclivities, have been arrested. The blockade business here is almost played out.

Mexican News.

NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—Advices from Havana per the Evening Star include Mexican dates to the 20th ult.

Gen. Doblado is reported to have given in his adhesion.

The French occupation of Mazatlan, Colaga, &c. reported via Sanfrancisco, are confirmed.

The French forces were en route for Guanajuato.

There has been no fighting except slight guerrilla skirmishes.

Police Superintendent of New York.

NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—A sensation dispatch from Albany says that the new police commissioners will probably appoint Nelson J. Waterbury Police Superintendent, and that two-thirds of the police captains will report to him, and that the Governor will order out the entire militia of the city to support the claims of the Board.

Intense Cold at St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 3.—Very little business was transacted to-day on account of the weather. Since Thursday the weather has been intensely cold, the mercury having fallen twenty-four degrees below zero, a thing unparalleled in this region. All the railroads leading out of the city are blocked up with snow, and no trains have arrived or departed for two days. The river is frozen over, and this morning large number of cattle and hogs froze to death on weather-bound trains on the North Missouri Railroad. The newspapers mention a considerable number of frost-bitten cases, some of them of a serious character.

Duties on Imports at Boston—First Anniversary of President Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation.

BOSTON, January 3.—The duties on imports received at the port of Boston for the year ending December, 1863, will amount to $6,953,924. The number of foreign arrivals for the year amounts to 2,129, being 78 more than the year previous.

The first anniversary of President Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation was celebrated here yesterday by a salute of 100 guns, and at a public meeting in the Tremont Temple, at which speeches were made by Messrs. Phillips, Kirk, Rev. A. A. Minor, and several colored orators.

New Year's Courtesies.

WASHINGTON, January 3.—The attendance of the Diplomats on the President on New Year's Day with felicitations, which were evidently as cordial as they were demonstrative, was among the cheering auspices with which the country begins the new year. The entire corps was present, with the exception of the estimable minister from Nicaragua, who, being detained by illness, sent to the Secretary of State a respectable and most friendly apology.

Gen. Butler Gone to Washington—The Steamer Metropolis.

FORTRESS MONROE, Jan. 3.—Gen. Butler has left here for Washington on the steamer City of Hudson.

The steamer Western Metropolis, from Newport for New Orleans, has put into Hampton Road for repairs.

Appropriations to be Raised by Taxation.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—Secretary Chase strenuously insists on limiting the appropriations to the means, and in providing by taxation every dollar appropriated beyond the amount which can certainly be obtained by loans, and without too largely increasing the public debt.

Health of Archbishop Hughes.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—Midnight.—Archbishop Hughes still continues to live, but is in a very low condition. A few more hours may be added to his life, and he may die at any moment. He is beyond recovery.

Snow Storm at Buffalo.

BUFFALO, Jan. 3.—A very severe snow storm has been raging here since Thursday night, the wind blowing a gale from the west. The water in the lower part of the city is the highest that has been known for a year.

Federal Pickets Driven in at Bunker Hill.

NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—Advices from Cumberland, Md., of the 1st, state that our pickets near Winchester, Va., had been driven into Bunker Hill.

Arrest of Another Chesapeake Pirate

ST. JOHN, N. B., Jan. 2.—Louis Seely another of the captors of the steamer Chesapeake, was arrested to-day and lodged in jail.

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TO THE GROWERS AND MANUFACTURERS OF FLAX AND HEMP.—The Commissioners appointed under the act of Congress, approved July 4, 1862, viz: Messrs. Richard Morehead, of Pennsylvania, William M. Bailey, of Rhode Island, and John A. Warder, of Ohio, have decided on the following approved machines to be used by the last Congress, viz:

"For investigations in the practicability of cultivating and preparing flax and hemp as a substitute for cotton, twenty thousand dollars."

Having met, and after several days consultation, believing that a sufficient public notice of their investigations might produce valuable results, have decided to meet again in Washington City, on the 24th day of February next, at 12 o'clock, m.

They request all interested in the distribution of this appropriation, or who desire to develop the subject for the public good, to send to this Department, on or before that day, samples of the hemp and flax in the different stages of preparation; of the fibres and machines prepared by them, accompanied by a statement of the various processes used, and the cost of manipulation in each case; also, descriptions of the kinds and cost of machinery used, where made, &c., together with any and all information that may be useful to the Commission.

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