Pittsburgh Gazette

THURSDAY MORNING.....FEB. 4, 1864.

CITY AND SUBURBAN.

From Yesterday's Evening Gazette

The Issue of Bounty Bonds—Interview with the Controller and Commissioners—Proposed County Convention.

The officers of the late meeting held in Concert Hall, to encourage volunteering, in pursuance of the resolution adopted by that body, assembled at the Commissioners' office, on Tuesday, for the purpose of conferring with the county officers having control of the finances, relative to the issue of bounty bonds. Mr. Hamilton was the only Commissioner present. Mr. Lambert, Controller, was also present.

On motion, Gen. Thomas M. Howe was chosen chairman of the meeting.

Mr. Lambert stated that, however anxious he and himself were to comply with the wishes of the Commissioners and Controller, the people of the county should be heard on the subject, the number of delegates from each district should be based on the taxable population of the districts. Pittsburgh and Allegheny cities comprised one-half of the wealth of the county, and would have a representation of thirty-nine in the convention, while the other half would have one hundred and sixty-nine.

While the meeting was convinced of the fairness of Mr. McCarthy's suggestion, it was thought best to pursue the usual course in calling conventions, and the representation was fixed at three from each district.

On motion adjourned.

That "Mysterious Disappearance."

A few days ago we published a statement in reference to the "mysterious disappearance" of Mr. Graham, engineer, of Manchester. He had been asked by the captain of the Tigress to remain over night on the boat, as the ice was about breaking up, and he consented to do so. It was also known to the captain that Mr. Graham had drawn a check on a bank for $1,400 the same day. In the evening, about nine o'clock, he went aboard the boat, and found the watchman very drowsy. He asked for the mate's room, and the watchman, after pointing in the direction of the room, groaned his indifferent attitude. Mr. Graham found the door locked, and not wishing to sit up all night in the cold, deliberately walked home and went to bed. In the morning the watchman reported to the captain that Mr. Graham went into the mate's room, but that he had mysteriously disappeared during the night. A messenger was sent over to his house, who inquired if he was in, and received the answer that he was not (as he had already gone to—). The captain was fully satisfied that something was wrong, and he stopped the payment of the check, not dreaming that Mr. Graham had it in his pocket. The "great distress of the family," and "painful anxiety of the friends," as detailed to us, were purely imaginary. Mr. Graham has doubtless read the notice very complacently, feeling thankful that he had neither been murdered nor drowned; while his wife, no doubt, felicitated herself upon having been spared such "great distress." Mr. Graham must take such things very philosophically, since he never even took the trouble to correct the report. We have this statement, however, upon the authority of a gentleman who has seen him, and who assures us that "he still lives." We hope our information is correct, because we are told that Mr. Graham is a very good man, and we don't want to "drown him" if we can help it.

United States District Court.

WEDNESDAY, February 3.—Before Judge McCandless.

United States vs. Daniel Mayhew and Wm. Parmer. The defendants are residents of Birmingham, and were indicted for harboring and concealing a deserter. They were arrested in September last, in a house in Birmingham, which they jointly occupied, on a charge of burglary, and the officers found with them A. C. Parmer (son of the defendant Parmer) and one Thomas Williams, both substitute deserters. The former went as a substitute for a drafted man of Westmoreland county in 1862, and the latter for Mr. J. S. Beebe, of Birmingham, under the last draft. They had, as alleged, been frequenting the house of Mayhew and Parmer for some time previous to their arrest, and "detectives" several times searched for them without avail. The jury found a verdict of not guilty.

Samuel McMichaels, charged with harboring a deserter, was acquitted—the prosecution offering no testimony.

Court adjourned until Thursday morning.

Important Arrest.

On Tuesday evening, as Officer Wray, of the Mayor's police, was in conversation with Major Viereheller, at his saloon on Fifth street, two men named John Robinson and McCabe entered, and being under the influences of liquor, they soon began to act disorderly. Officer Wray arrested Robinson, when McCabe attacked the officer, and attempted to rescue the prisoner. Officer Wilson, one of Mayor Lowry's new police, soon appeared upon the spot, and both parties were conveyed to the lock-up. During the struggle, officer Wray identified Robinson as the individual who stands charged with attacking and robbing Mr. McGregor, tax collector of the Fifth Ward, some months since, and hence he was more anxious to secure his arrest. This morning Robinson was committed to jail on a process from Court, to answer the charge of highway robbery, McCabe was fined ten dollars and costs by Mayor Lowry, for his unmanly and unwarranted interference with the officer.

EAST BIRMINGHAM RELIEF FUND.—Those entitled to receive relief money in East Birmingham, can obtain the same, on Saturday morning next, on application at the office of Justice Amman.

The New Relief Steam Engine.

We yesterday had the pleasure of an interview with Mr. S. E. Farlong, agent for the Amoskeag Manufacturing Company, who has just arrived in this city with the new steam engines for the Relief Fire Company. This is the seventy-eighth engine built by this company, and they have already orders so generally known, that they have become so gigantic from England and from South America. The present engine, in regard to finish and effectiveness, is ahead of anything of her class yet furnished by this company. The finish is complete.

The building committee consist of Messrs. Joseph E. Swint, Chairman; R. C. Sawyer, Jr., Frederick Rach, John A. Kircher, James McGinnis, John Ferguson, Barnard Farrell, Joseph Little and John H. Sawyer.

The cost of the apparatus is, in round numbers, $3,500. Her weight is 4,500 pounds. She is properly denominated a second class engine and throws but two streams. Her action is vertical, having an 8½ steam cylinder, and 12 inch stroke. Her pumps are 4¾ inch, with a 12 inch stroke. Her boiler contains 249 upright iron tubes, 1¾ inches in diameter and 33 inches in length, and she can discharge 500 gallons of water per minute. She raises steam in six minutes, and will throw through an 1¾ inch nozzle a distance of 240 feet, or through two nozzles of one inch, a distance of 175 feet each. The company had a private trial yesterday afternoon, and they will have a public trial within a day or two, of which they will give notice.

The Apple Stands Nuisance.

Notwithstanding the decision of Judge Stowe, declaring apple stands upon the public sidewalks a nuisance, the proprietors of these stalls have not "taken the hint," and now they will be compelled to obey the law, with the costs of prosecution added. Suits have been entered before Aldermen Nicholson, by officer Hague, at the instance of the District Attorney, against the following proprietors of the description of stands referred to: A. Levi and James Hague, Fifth and Market; Joseph Smithfield; John Cummings, Fifth and Smithfield; John Cummings, 250 Liberty; And. Faugus, Fifth street, near Post Building; J. G. Berry, 326 Liberty; Stephen Barton, Plum Alley and Liberty st.; Samuel Shirley, Fourth and Market; Jos. Swallars, Gardella, Fifth, near Theatre; J. Swallars, Fourth and Market; John Martin, Fifth, near Wood; and Michael Calls, Fifth and Grant. All these have entered bail before Alderman Nicholson, for their appearance at Court at next term.

Bank Note Quotations,

Corrected especially for the *Gazette*, by Messrs. Feld & Lare, of the *National Bank Note Reporter*. Rates uncertain at present:

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	Discount.		
New England States.....	½	Virginia—Interior.....	½
New York City.....	par	North Carolina.....	—
New York State.....	par	South Carolina.....	—
New Jersey.....	par	Georgia.....	—
Penna.—Philadelphia.....	par	Alabama.....	—
Pittsburgh.....	par	Louisiana.....	—
Bk. of Pittsburgh, par to	1	Tennessee.....	par
Bk. of Reserve Co., pr.	85	Ohio.....	par
Bk. of Fayette Co., pr.	40	Indiana, free.....	—
Monongahela Bank.....	50	Bk. of State.....	par
Brownsville.....pr.	40	Illinois.....	1¼@50
Pa. County Bank.....	2	Wisconsin.....	1
Bk. of Chambersburg.....	1	Iowa.....	1
Dist. of Columbia.....	—	Minnesota.....	par
Maryland, Baltimore par	1	Michigan.....	2@3
Interior.....	2@3	Missouri.....	44
Virginia—Wheeling.....	1½	Canada.....	pr. 44
Wheeling Branches.....	1½		

EXCHANGE—Selling rates on New York and Philadelphia ¾ @ ¼ pr. over bankable funds.

GOLD—Gold, buying rates 55 and Silver at 47 over bankable funds.

Presbyterian Items.

Rev. J. J. Elder was released from his charge of Bethlehem church, Pa., and installed in Pisgah church, by the Presbytery of Clarion, on the 15th inst....Mr. Robert Beer, of Clarion, was ordained, as an evangelist, on the 15th inst., by the Presbytery of Clarion....Rev. John Ewing, of the Presbytery of Ohio, has received a unanimous call to the Presbyterian church of Philadelphia....Rev. R. M. Wallace, of Brownsville, Pa., has been called to Altoona, Pa. The call was unanimous....Rev. George W. Thompson, D. D., Academia, Pa., died on the 26th ult.

Butler County.

It is but a few days since Butler county began to move in the work of getting up volunteers to fill the quotas of the sub-districts; but it is going on briskly now. Middlesex was the first to fill its quota; then the borough of Butler; next Buffalo township; Lancaster township filled out to-day. Butler Jefferson, and Adams townships have their quotas nearly full. Many other sub-districts will have a public trial within a day or two, of which they will give notice.

Chicago Market.

FEB. 1.—Receipts of Flour to-day 1230; dressed hogs 6740; Cattle 1000. Receipts for the week 4165 live hogs, 23,223 dressed Hogs, and 2000 Cattle.

Live Hogs firmer and 10c higher; sales at $4.10 @4.25 for fair to fair $5.25@5.75 for medium to good; and 10@25c higher on Thursday; $5.50@5.60 for under 200 and 10@25c higher on Thursday; $5.50@7.00 for under 200 and 10@25c higher on Thursday; $5.50@7.00 for under 200 lbs. Cattle firm and very active; $4.00@5.25 for fair to good; $5.50@6.10 for common to little dogs; nominally $7.00@7.50 for prime medium; $5.50@6.00 for good to prime cows; $3.00@4.00 for common to medium. Hogs Pork firm at $18@18.50 for mess; inactive $19.00@19.25 for city prime mess; $18@18.25 for country prime mess; $16@16.25 for Western mess. Lard quiet and steady; demand at 10¼@10¾c. Bacon firm and quiet; demand at 10½@10¾c for short clear Middles; 10½@10¾c for long cut Hams. Bulk Meats active and firm for a time on Thursday; 8½@8¾c for Shoulders; and firm at 9¾@9¾c for Hams. Bulk Meats active and firm for prime. Green Meats quiet and unchanged. Butter quiet and firm at 24@25c for good to choice dairies; 26@28c for prime. Cheese quiet and unchanged. Lard quiet and steady and less active, at $1,17 for No 2 in barrels; $1,19@1,19½ for No 1 do; $1,20@1,20½ for extra; and $1,10@1,10½ for No 3 do. Tallow quiet and firm at 9½@9¾c for prime new. Oats quiet at 56@58c for old and 52@53c for new. Barley—Spring, 120@125c (by sample); nominally $1,20@1,30. Rye—$1,10@1,20 for good to choice. Highwines firm at 71c.

Toledo Market.

FEB. 1.—Our markets have recovered from the effects of the late foreign news, and a slight advance, (the figures denotes an advance of 1c on Saturday's quotations):

Flour—Flax, $4.00@4.25; Superfine, $4.75@5.00; Extra, $5.25@5.50; Family, $5.75@6.00; Fancy $6.25@6.50; Buckwheat Flour, $9. Rye Flour, $6.50@7.00; White Wheat Flour, $9. Rye Flour, $6.50@7.00; White Wheat—Sales 200 bu Amber Michigan at $1.60.

Wheat—Sales 200 bu Amber, 2 Red 1.32c. Corn—We quote No 1, 2 and Rejected 1.12@1.15. Corn—We quote No 1 is very dull; the only sale reported was 500 bu at 72c. Oats—Sales 1,000 bu Clover at 71c. Barley—Spring, 120c; Fall 130c. Seeds—Sales 400bu Clover at $7.00. Corn—We quote fine $2.20 and coarse $2.00. Provisions—Sales 200 bbls mess at $19; 400 bbls mess at 18½; without inspection.

Cleveland Market.

Feb. 2.—Flour—Market firm and rather more active than yesterday. Sales of 1000 bbls XX rod at $6,25; 500 bbls extra at $5,75.

Wheat.—In very good milling demand. Sales three cars red from store at $1,35; one car white do at $1,40.

Corn—Lower and prices irregular. Sales one car new shelled from store at $1,02; two cars do at $1,01; one shelled on track at $1,00. Oats—Sales one car from store at $1,00. Unchanged. Held nominally $1,20 from store. Eye—Unchanged. Sales this morning two car loads prime on track at $1,20; this afternoon one car good do at $1,20.

Imports by Railroad.

PITTSBURGH FT. WAYNE AND CHICAGO RAILROAD, Feb. 3.—2 bbls Whiskey, 7 S Dilworth & co; 50 dozen Brooms, W H Kirkpatrick; 2 cor hhds do, D Bope; 1 do, W H Kirkpatrick; 2 cor hhds do, D Floyd; 5 bbls beans, son & co; 19 bags Shot, 1 pkg Tobacco, W P. Weyman; 1 pkg Tobacco, 1 pkg Glass, 1 pkg Bolts, Kennedy & Bro; 1 pkg Glass, Hussey, Wells & co; 1 pkg Tobacco, 1 pkg Glass, Wilson, McCandless