Pittsburgh Gazette.

TUESDAY MORNING.....FEB. 16, 1864.

CITY AND SUBURBAN.

SS"OFFICIAL PAPER."SS

An Immense Enterprise.

It is announced that Gen. Simon Cameron, William Colder and Jacob Eby, of Harrisburg, together with capitalists in Philadelphia, Baltimore and Sunbury, have formed a joint stock company, called "The Lochiel Iron Company," with a capital of $250,000, for the purpose of establishing an iron works in the vicinity of Harrisburg. The above sum has already been subscribed, and a site has been selected between the Susquehanna river and the canal, just below the Paxton Furnace.

The works will consist of two main buildings, each three hundred and nine feet long, resting on iron columns. One of these buildings is to be used for heating, and the other for rolling the iron. The plans for these buildings are of the most extensive architectural proportions, and, when complete, will present an imposing appearance, adding greatly to the interest and attraction of that portion of the city of Harrisburg. The building committee, Gr. Dawson Coleman, of Lebanon; William Colder and J. R. Eby, of Harrisburg, with Benjamin Haywood, of Pottsville, have completed contracts for the erection of the main superstructure. They have also made contracts for the construction of three engines of stupendous power, boilers and other machinery necessary to the full operation of the works.

It is expected to have the buildings under cover by the 1st of July; and as soon as the machinery can be constructed and placed in position, the works will be put in full operation. To do this will require at least five hundred men; with which force it is calculated that there will be produced 70 tons of rail-road iron per day. The practical reader will at once be able to appreciate the magnitude of such a production.

The sum of $250,000 was considered sufficient to warrant the immediate commencement of the works, but the books are still open for the sale of additional stock, to which the attention of capitalists of the State are invited.

Lectures on the Atmosphere.

This evening will close Professor Richards' brilliant course of lectures on the philosophy and chemistry of the atmosphere. His lecture last evening, in which he showed the wondrous combination of the constituent elements of common air—its two main, diverse, almost antagonistic elements, together with those gases which enter into its composition in minuter quantities—demonstrating every portion, by experiments, curious, brilliant and surprising, and closing with a series of illustrations, of great variety and beauty, by means of the hydro-oxygen blowpipe, was one of the most interesting and instructive we have ever attended. His apparatus is very complete, and he rarely fails even in the most difficult and delicate of his experiments.

To-night our people will have the pleasure of seeing for the first time in our city, the "Rhumkorff in duction Coil." This apparatus increases the effect of the common magnetic battery, and, with this great intensity, most magnificent experiments may be performed. The apparatus of the Professor gives a spark six inches in length, and the experiments are truly magnificent, particularly those illustrating the Northern Lights. The use of lightning rods will be explained in a striking manner. Electricity will be handled in masses. This is the last lecture of the course, and will be made the most brilliant.

We have been requested to suggest that Professor Richards be solicited to repeat the course. It is believed that a large and appreciative class can be made up.

Sabbath School Convention.

A Convention of Sabbath School agents, and friends of these invaluable institutions, will be held this evening in the 2d Presbyterian Church, Penn street (Dr. Heward's), at which addresses by several able speakers will be made, and much statistical information imparted.

A vigorous effort is being made by the American Sunday School Union to extend greatly the number and efficiency of these schools. The committee of the A. S. S. Mission, in their report say:

"We have been enabled to employ three missionaries, who have canvassed five of the largest counties in the State, ascertaining the number and actual condition of Sabbath schools; the number of scholars enrolled in them, and the number of children who never attend any Sabbath school. Great destitution has been revealed. Entire townships in this old Christian Commonwealth have been found without a Sabbath school. Some of them, indeed, destitute of the preaching of the Word. More than one-half of the Sabbath schools in the State continue only from five to seven months of the year. So that not only is there considerably less than one-half of the children of this Commonwealth, of a suitable age to attend; enrolled in the Sabbath school, but of those enrolled more than one-half enjoy its privileges, on an average, not more than twenty-four Sabbaths of the year, giving them twenty-four hours, or one day's religious instruction out of 365. Citizens of Pennsylvania, this ought not so to be. We are laboring to remedy it. Will you help us?"

Bounty Fund.

The following sums have been paid to Thos. Steel, Treasurer of Second Ward (Pittsburgh) Bounty Fund:

Adams, McKee & Co...	$600	Jones & Laughlin.....	10
R. P. Mueller.....	50	John J. House & Co...	100
Alfred J. Parsons.....	50	Geo. A. Gormit.....	50
Jos. G. Curry.....	50	Geo. W. Wyman.....	50
J. Dunlevy, Jr.....	50	Thos. Rankin.....	50
W. M. Marsh.....	100	Reuben Miller, Jr....	200
R. Arthury.....	50	R. W. Poindexter.....	10
John A. Flynt.....	50	W. S. Jackson.....	50
Wm. P. Floyd.....	50	Wm. Houston.....	25
A. A. Nicholson.....	50	Calvin King.....	25
D. Hugus.....	50	LeRoy & Bro.....	10
John Wilson.....	100		
Geo. F. Gillmore.....	25		$2,470
Jas. R. Ewing.....	50	Previously reported	2,780
James Irvin.....	25		
Jas R. Reed.....	25	Total.....	$5,250
Phillips & Best.....	600		

Accident to a Railroad Man.

We regret to learn that on Saturday last a very serious accident happened to Mr. Cal. King, freight agent on the Hempfield railroad, and who has been engaged upon the road ever since it was opened. The train going west was passing through the tunnel at West Alexander, when Mr. King had occasion to climb over a car in order to reach the brake. As he was doing so he was struck by the spout of the water station and knocked off the car. He fell to the ground, and the wheels of the cars passed so near his feet as to tear off the sole of one of his boots. He was somewhat bruised about his head, and is supposed to have received several internal injuries. He was left at West Alexander.

Dead Body Found.

The body of an unknown man was found yesterday on the hill above Birmingham, a short distance from the Brownsville road. The Coroner held an inquest in the afternoon, but nothing was elicited tending to show who the man was, or by what means he came to his death. He was apparently about sixty years of age, but there were no papers or marks which might lead to his identification. The body exhibited no signs of violence, and the "jury found a verdict of "found dead." The supposition is, from the appearance of the body, that it had lain there for two or three days.

REV. A. B. BRADFORD.—This talented and popular lecturer, as will be seen by a notice in our columns, will lecture in Allegheny, on Wednesday evening next, on "Scenes and Customs in China." Mr. B. is a living, thinking man, a leader of the age rather than a faultless representative of the past. It will be recollected by those who heard him a few years ago, while in our city, how strangely graphic were his allusions to the laws of History and the future of our Country, and how fearfully his predictions have been fulfilled in the past three years of our history. He will doubtless draw a crowded house.

A DISORDERLY COUPLE.—Peter Barnes was yesterday taken before Mayor Alexander, to answer a charge of assault and battery, preferred by Dunlevy Fleming. Barnes and his wife were also charged with keeping a bawdy house, on oath of Sarah Jane Mills. They were both committed in default of bail. The parties are all colored.

MISSING.—The women recently arrested for receiving stolen goods had a final hearing before Mayor Lowry yesterday afternoon. Mary Hedman was discharged, and Mrs. McCandless and Miss M'Candless were held to bail in $300 each to answer at court.

BENEVOLENT SCHEME.—The ball of the 102d regiment will be given on Wednesday night (to-morrow), at Concert Hall. It will doubtless be a grand affair. Tickets can be had on application to Major Joe Brown, and other managers.

Davis, Clarke & Co.

Mr. Robert S. Davis, the well known bookseller, of Wood street, has formed a co-partnership with Messrs. Samuel A. Clarke and Wm. W. Waters, under the style of Davis Clarke & Co. The gentlemen whom Mr. Davis has associated with him are both experienced booksellers, and are in every way worthy of the highest recommendation for business tact and energy. Mr. Clarke has long been known as the active member of the old firm of Colin M. Reed & Co., Washington, Pa., and is a gentleman of the highest integrity. Mr. Waters is well known to the patrons of Mr. Davis, having been in his employ for a number of years, and also in the employ of his predecessor, Mr. J. S. Davison. He is fully conversant with all the details of the trade, and understands the literary tastes and requirements of the community. The new firm opens under the most favorable auspices, and will no doubt transact a largely increased business.

RECRUITS enlisted by J. C. Sproull, U. S. Recruiting Agent, Fourth street, on Feb. 15th, 1864.

Names.	5nh dis. credited.	Enrolled.
Ammons Henry	2d w'd Pitts. 2?d	Bellair, 16th d, O.
Dowelly Henry	Pitt tp. do	Not enrolled.
Forbes David	Lawr'e boro, do	do
Gilmore J F	1st w'd Pitts, do	do
Johns Jas	Lawr'e boro, do	do
Finney Edward	do do	Versailles tp, 22d
Durbin Benj F	1st w'd Pitts, do	Brownsville, 21st
Wilson M J	East Deer, 22d	Not enrolled.
O'Hara Sam'l	1st w'd Pitts, 22d	do
Allen Wm J	do do	Fawn tp, 22d
Gowns Robt	do do	Elizabeth tp, 22d
Moon Lewis	do do	do do
Bevan Jos	Lawr'e boro, do	Not enrolled.
Porter Jas	do do	do
M'Millen John	1st w'd Pitts, do	do
Morsen Wm	Lawr'e boro, do	do

Enlisted by Lieut. Wm. Haymaker, 62d Pa. Vols.

Canon John	Patton tp, 22d	Patton tp.

RECRUITS RETURNED.

John Voelker, laborer, 34 years old, Germany; disability.

Frank Leonard, cook, 27 years old, New York city, N. Y.; disability.

Samuel L. Staley, laborer, 17 years old, Wheeling, Virginia; disability.

Jas. W. H. Delo, miner, 18 years old, Allegheny Co., Pa.; disability.

Theodore Mascher, laborer, 23 years old, Germany; disability.

Bounty Fund.

The following amounts have been paid in to J. C. M'Pherson, treasurer of the Fourth Ward (Allegheny city) Bounty Fund:

C Klingheiffer.....	$40	Herman Otte.....	10
Jacob Gripp.....	40	D P Logan.....	20
C D Deckrogn.....	20	Geo Bittiman.....	40
E F A Faulhaber.....	40	John Innerhatzler....	40
H H'Elkenny.....	40	H W Auldenhide.....	40
M Hartmeyer.....	40	F Hackmon (add'al...	20
C F Graham.....	40	D P Schultze do	20
Robert Muns, Jr.....	40	W Dardick do	20
Capt W J Pedder.....	50	W Gelves.....	40
Jacob Heck.....	40	John Fitzal.....	40
R Kellock.....	40	Thos Arnold.....	50
B P Bennett.....	40	W A May.....	20
J Painter (add'al).....	50	C Meyer (add'al).....	20
H B Francis.....	50	Fred Berbert do.....	20
W Shaw.....	40	Chas Bennett.....	20
Jno Erdner.....	40	F Heinbergzi.....	40
J H Darling.....	40	H M Myers.....	20
D F Good.....	40	D E Beatty.....	40
J H Smither.....	40	H M Stephenson.....	40
F W Gerdes.....	40	B F Watson.....	40
M Mentzer (add'al)...	10	Am't previously rep..	3337
C G Donnell.....	40		
Louis A Gazzer.....	20	Total.....	$10,672

An Alarming Threat.

The young shepherd, David, said to the king of Israel, "Thy servant will go and fight with this Philistine." He went, as he said he would, and slew the giant.

The Pittsburgh *Commercial*, of Saturday, made a similar announcement, saying, "In politics we shall be found doing battle with the friends of Progress and Human Freedom." We hope "the friends of Progress and Human Freedom" will come off better than Goliah did.

ELECTION.—At a regular meeting of the Penn's Library Society, held Thursday evening, February 11th, 1864, the following officers were elected for the ensuing term: President—Hon. Wm. Wilkins; Vice Presidents—R. R. McConnell; Secretary—Geo. W. Hastie; Treasurer—Hall Patterson; Librarians—W. S. Shaw, and A. Shaw; Trustees—John S. Lambie, J. Anderson, W. K. McCausland; Critics—C. O. Baer, and M. A. Wilson; Orderly Sergeant—J. M Millard.

LOWER ST. CLAIR TOWNSHIP.—The citizens of this district held a meeting last evening, when it was reported that a sum of $7,000 had already been raised to pay a cash bounty of $200 to each man who may enlist to the credit of that township—every dollar of the bounty to be paid to the soldier enlisting. D. B. Ferguson, Esq., has been appointed Treasurer of the fund.

BRONCHITIS, COUGHS.—"Brown's Bronchial Troches are a simple and elegant form for administering, in combination, several medicinal substances, held in general esteem, among physicians, in the treatment of Bronchial affections."—*Dr. G. F. Bigelow, Boston.*

For sale at Fulton's Drug Store, Fifth street, Pittsburgh.

ACCIDENT FROM POWDER.—Two children of Capt. Leader, of Doddridge county, West Virginia, a few days ago found a keg of powder, which he had in his house, into the fire, and a terrific explosion was the consequence. Both children were badly, perhaps fatally, injured, and one side of the house was blown entirely away.

MORE QUOTAS FILLED.—Appollo borough, Armstrong county, filled its full 500,000 quota yesterday. Harrison township, Allegheny county, has filled the quota on the first call, and has several men on the second. The township has more re-enlisted soldiers in the late insurrection and said as hostages for its full quota.

A NOVEL ENTERTAINMENT.—A number of musical amateurs will give a unique concert on Saturday evening next, at Concert Hall, for the benefit of the Subsistence Committee. The concert will be in imitation of "The Old Folks," and will be a rich affair. *See* advertisement.

BAD BOYS PUNISHED.—Mayor Alexander, yesterday, had before him five boys, who were arrested for throwing stones on the hill at the head of Federal street. They belonged to the Second and Third Wards, and after being locked up for a time were discharged on payment of fine and costs.

SECOND WARD, ALLEGHENY.—The citizens of this ward are expected to turn out in full force this evening, at the public school house. The question now is, *draft or no draft.* If the men attend, and go to work at once, there will be no draft; if not, further efforts may be abandoned.

BANK NOTE REPORTER.—This valuable *Reporter*, edited by Messrs. Field & Lare, Dispatch Building, Fifth street, and issued semi-monthly, is out for the February month. We would recommend it to our business men as reliable in every respect.

SPECIAL BOOK 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.

GROVER & BAKER'S SEWING MACHINES have obtained the highest premium at every State, County, and Institute Fair held in 1863, as the best family and the best manufacturing machines, and for the best machine work.

A. F. CHATONEY, General Agent,
18 Fifth street, Pittsburgh, Pa.

SOLDIERS' SPECIAL NOTICE.—Do your duty to yourselves, protect your health, use HOLLOWAY'S PILLS AND OINTMENT. For Wounds, Sores, Bowel Complaints and Fevers, they are a perfect safeguard. Full directions how to use them with every box.

Holloway's Pills and Ointment are now retailed, owing to the high price of drugs, &c., at 30 cents, 70 cents, and $1,10 per box or pot.

For sale in Pittsburgh, Pa., by B. L. Vahnestock & Co.

For sale also 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 Wier & Co., Merchant Tailors, No. 165 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.

SAMUEL GRAHAM & Co., merchant tailors, are closing out their fall and winter stock of goods at a reduced figure. Gentleman desiring a fashionable and well made suit of clothing would do well to give us a call before purchasing elsewhere. SAMUEL GRAHAM & Co.,
Merchant Tailors, 54 Market street.

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.

OYSTERS and sardines cans will be taken at the Omnibus office, No. 419 Penn street, day or night. All orders left at the above place will be promptly attended to. All calls must be paid in advance.

G. ELL, Dentist, 362 Penn street, will attend to all business calls of his profession.

THE LATEST NEWS

BY TELEGRAPH.

OUR SPECIAL DISPATCHES.

FROM WASHINGTON.

Special Dispatch to the Pittsburgh Gazette.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15, 1864.

THE CONSCRIPTION BILL.

As foreshadowed in these dispatches some time ago the Senate Military Committee is exercised at the course of the House, especially of the House Military Committee on the conscription bill. They think their bantling wasn't treated with proper respect, and that many of the amendments made, were without any object save the simple one of making a change. The House Committee on the other hand insinuate that the Senate Committee don't write good English, and that they only attempted to make the bill intelligible.

In the meantime the Senate committee reported back the bill with the House amendments to-day, and recommanded non-concurrence. The Senate sustained its committee; so the bill comes back to the House as it originally passed the Senate, and will now, of course, have to go into the hands of a conference committee.

PRIMARY MEETINGS.

In the primary meetings held on Saturday night in Baltimore to select delegates to the National Convention and State Constitutional Convention, the friends of Winter Davis and unconditional emancipation, carried seventeen Wards out of twenty. The successful districts were headed for "immediate emancipation, no State compensation and no negro apprenticeship." Mr. Blair's friends carried but ten votes out of one hundred. The defeated ticket was headed "Abraham Lincoln and Thomas Swann." It is not true that the delegates elected gained their election, therefore, as reported in some of the dispatches, by representing themselves Lincoln men. Montgomery Blair sought to force this issue. Winter Davis and his friends refused to commit themselves thus prematurely, either to Mr. Lincoln or any other man, and they carried seventeen out of the twenty wards. The vote on the resolution in the House to-day, declaring that slavery ought to be immediately abolished everywhere, was seventy-eight to sixty-two.

PLAN OF RECONSTRUCTION.

Winter Davis' plan of reconstruction, as embodied in his bill, is to appoint military Governors in the States where military resistance has ceased. The first step towards the restoration of the State is the enrollment of all persons classed as loyal and disloyal. If the disloyal amount to one-tenth of those enrolled, then the election of delegates to a Convention is to be had, at which all persons who have had any office under the rebel government, are not allowed to vote, even if they offer to take the oath of allegiance. The Convention is to frame a Constitution, in which slavery is declared abolished, and all debts incurred by the rebellion ignored. All slaves, by this bill, are emancipated, they and their posterity, forever, and all persons who hold office under the Confederacy after its passage, are declared no longer citizens of the United States.

LOVEJOY'S HEALTH—HIS LETTER TO THE HOUSE.

Mr. Lovejoy still continues sick, but his ruling passion is as strong as ever, and he perpetrated one of his biggest jokes to-day, by writing the House a letter on the whisky tax. He hoped they wouldn't tax the stock on hand, and exhorted them, through five foolscap pages, to back down from their former position, and concur with the Senate. One of his arguments was, that if you should get a pailful of milk from a cow, and then should immediately undertake to milk her again, she would be apt to kick the bucket. Whisky speculators, he said, might act in the same way, if we undertook to milk them too often.

THE GOLD QUESTION.

The Ways and Means Committee sought to-day to introduce a measure, empowering Secretary Chase to sell gold whenever and however he wishes, solely limiting him by his responsibility for having always on hand, enough to pay the interest on the public debt. Objections were made, and the Committee failed to get it in, but will soon do it. As Secretary Chase now has on hand over twenty millions in gold, it is manifest that this gives him the power to utterly smash the gold market whenever he chooses. As a consequence, the people who are holding gold at 59@60, will do well to get out of it as soon as possible.

ESCAPED FROM LIBBY PRISON.

A New York Captain, who has just escaped from confinement in Libby prison through the connivance of Union citizens, arrived here to-day and was closeted with Stanton all morning. He represents that the change of feeling in Richmond on the subject of the war is remarkable, and it cannot be concealed that all are sick of it, and the general dissatisfaction gives an unwonted stimulus to the hitherto latent Union feeling. Before leaving Richmond he was furnished with a rebel uniform, and in this disguise he passed through the fortifications and defences of the rebel capital.

BILL IN REGARD TO VESSELS IN THE COASTING TRADE.

The Committee on Ways and Means have reported a bill designed to authorize the entry for consumption until the first of June next, of goods bonded more than one year, and which are required by the present law to be exported. The bill also corrects an error of the tariff of 1862, so that registered vessels in the coasting trade may be placed upon the same footing in regard to the tonnage duty as enrolled vessels.

BILL TO REIMBURSE MISSOURI.

Mr. Blow introduced a bill to refund to the State of Missouri, on vouchers, five millions, one thundred thousand dollars, advanced to suppress rebellion and invasion. Referred to Committee on Ways and Means. Mr. Blow will be fully prepared to protect the State in the premises, and to substantiate the justness of the claim.

A CHARGE AGAINST SURGEON HAMMOND.

One of the charges against Surgeon Hammond is that he dismissed a surgeon from service, giving as a reason the order of Gen. Halleck to that effect. Gen. Halleck, on his examination before the court-martial is-day, denied ever having given such an order.

THE RIGHT OF APPEAL.

Mr. Sherman's bill relating to stamps provides for the right of appeal from the decision of the Commissioner of the Internal Revenue to the Supreme Court, and against the renewal of his own decision) also, for stamping instruments objected to in courts, when in certain cases not legally stamped.

AN INVESTIGATION.

The sub-committee of the Senate Committee on the District of Columbia are engaged in investigating the affairs of the Washington Aqueduct, which has cost the Government several millions of dollars. It was understood that the last appropriation was sufficient to finish the work, and another call for half a million more has thus awakened inquiry.

THE WHISKY TAX BILL.

Whisky engrossed the House to-day. No results were reached, but if the protracted debate gave any indication at all it was that the House would insist on its original position as to taxing the stock on hand, and thus compel a committee of conference.

SUES VS. DUBYEA.

In the case of Burr against Duryea, now in argument before the Supreme Court of the United States, involving a patent right for making certain heads of hat bodies, the cost already exceeds to over three hundred dollars.

PENSIONS.

Mr. Kasson's pension bill gives to the widow of any chaplain, commissary, quartermaster, or other, duly appointed and acting, who is killed in active military service on the battle field, or dies of wounds there received, the same pension as is allowed to the representatives of a Second Lieutenant.

THE WHISKY TAX.

The Eastern manufacturers have a meeting here to-night to protest against removing the taxation from whisky on hand, which they say is simply giving a premium to speculators, which it is proposed to make up to the government again out of manufacturers.

AN EXAMINATION.

The Examining Board is in session here, looking into the physical condition of the affairs of the Invalid Corps, and find about one-third of them fit for active duty, and will recommend that they be ordered to the field.

OPINION OF THE SUPREME COURT.

Justice Wayne to-day delivered the opinion of the Supreme Court in case of Vallandigham, petitioner for a writ of *certiorari*, to the Judge Advocate General, refusing to grant his prayer.

ICE CONTRACTS.

The Committee on the Conduct of the War have got into the ice contracts for the army of the Cumberland to-day, but didn't make any very important discoveries.

NAVY YARD DEPOT AND HOSPITAL AT CAIRO.

A bill was introduced into the House to-day to locate a navy yard machine depot and hospital at Cairo. It appropriates half a million of dollars for that purpose.

BUREAU OF FREEDMEN'S AFFAIRS.

The members in charge of a bill for establishing a bureau of freedmen's affairs, hope to bring it up to-morrow.

FROM HARRISBURG.

[BY INLAND TELEGRAPH.]

Special Dispatch to the Pittsburgh Gazette.

HARRISBURG, Feb. 15, 1864.

The Senate met and adjourned, without any action, until to-morrow.

The Governor has returned from Washington and is actively at work.

Recruiting is very actively going on. Eight hundred recruits have been received here within the past seven days and sworn in. Col. John E. Wynkoop has already eighteen hundred men for the formation of a cavalry brigade from Hancock's Corps, and many applications come in daily from counties and from various parts of the State offering companies. We will have twenty-five hundred men within five days.

HOUSE.—Mr. Bigham presented a petition relative to having the pay of road supervisors in Allegheny county increased from one dollar to one dollar and fifty cents.

Mr. Benton, a bill to attach Elk county to the Eastern District of the Supreme Court. Also to the Supervisors of Jones township to construct a bridge over the Eastern branch of the Clarion river.

Mr. Watson, a bill further supplementary to an act providing for the payment of militiary claims of persons having authority to recruit on the promise of being officers of companies, but did not raise the number of men required to become officers.

Mr. Cochrane, of Erie, read in place a bill to establish a passenger railroad in the city of Erie. Also a bill compelling persons to swear relative to the amount of assets they possess after bankruptcy.

The weather here is delightful.

On motion, the House adjourned until to-morrow.

From Cairo.

CAIRO, Feb. 15.—Gen. W. S. Smith's cavalry expedition left Memphis on the 11th inst., in the direction of Colliersville. The enemy left the Memphis and Charleston R. R. was evacuated by our forces on the 13th, it having been held for the past six months, merely to aid Smith's cavalry expedition to get a good start. Gen. Sherman considers that the destruction and garrisoning of the road has been a source of weakness to us. He does not favor the guarding of railroads, unless they are of vital importance.

The steamer Mill Boy sunk on the 1st inst., eight miles from Jacksonport, on White river. She was laden with Government stores for troops at Batesville. Part of her cargo was saved. The boat was valued at fifteen thousand dollars. She is a total loss.

Owing to a large amount of Government stores, for Little Rock, being accumulated at Memphis and said as hostages for the man who did the shooting.

About seven hundred bales of cotton were shipped to Memphis on the 12th. The cotton market is dull and drooping; good middling scarce.

Gen Sherman's Headquarters are reported to have been at Jackson on the 7th. He was still there heard of at Bourbon.

The steamer, Lady Franklin, from Memphis, passed here for Cincinnati to-day, with nearly eight hundred bales of cotton.

French Blockade of the West Coast of Mexico—Advices from Bogota.

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—The steamer Ariel has arrived from Aspinwall with $453,000 in treasure.

The French flagship Pillas was at Panama.

A French blockade of the west coast of Mexico is now effective. The steamers of the Pacific mail are excepted, being allowed to touch at Panama for coal and provisions, and to land and receive mails, but not passengers or cargo.

Advices from Bogota report that tranquility is restored in the whole republic. Other accounts, said to be reliable, report that the revolutionists in Antioquia have several thousand men, and have routed the Government troops in an engagement. They were, however, defeated on invading the State of Cauca, and were pursued its Antioquia.

Destructive Fire.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 15.—A destructive fire occurred this afternoon at No. 38 Second street, above Chestnut, extending to Strawberry street. It commenced accidentally in the kerosene oil establishment of George W. Wootten, and extended to J. C. Weaden's paper warehouse. Loss about $25,000, partially insured in Philadelphia and the Royal Insurance office, London, but principally in the Ætna office of New Haven, Conn. The only damage done to adjoining buildings was by water.

From Fortress Monroe.

FORTRESS MONROE, Feb. 15.—I have received a telegram under date of February 14, from Gen. Wistar, which states that Colonel Straight, with 110 other Union officers, escaped from the prison at Richmond, by digging a tunnel. Col. Straight, with seventeen others, have come in. Col. Straight is safe.

(Signed) BENJ. F. BUTLER,
Maj. Gen. Com'dg.

From Fort Smith.

FORT SMITH, ARK., Feb. 15.—Col. Phillips, commanding the expedition in the Indian territory, reports to General Thayer that he has driven the enemy entirely out of that region, and in several skirmishes killed nearly a hundred rebels, and captured one Captain and twenty-five men.

General Curtis, leaves here to-morrow.

From Nicaragua.

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—Advices from Nicaragua to the 27th of January, state that Congress was not yet assembled, but the ratification of the contract with the Central American Transit Company is not doubted. The Company has the cash there to pay for the privileges asked.

France and Mexico.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—The rumors as to an intended protest by our government against the French occupation of Mexico, are certainly not well founded. The policy of the government on the subject is fully explained in the lately published diplomatic correspondence.

Bank Robbed.

BOSTON, Feb. 15.—The Saving's Bank at South Scituate, was broken into on Sunday morning and robbed of $300 in bills of various banks, and about $2,000 in bonds, papers, &c.

Cotton Burned.

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—One thousand bales of cotton were burned at Wilmington, N. C., on the 8th inst., by the evacuating fire.

Congressional.

WASHINGTON CITY, Feb. 15, 1864.

SENATE.—The Senate disagreed to have the House amendments to the Enrollment bill.

Before adjournment, on motion of Mr. Wilson the Senate proceeded to the consideration of the Senate bill for annulling and calling out the national forces, with amendments of the House of Representatives. The Senate refused to recede from its provisions by a decided vote, and the bill goes back to the House.

The Senate proceeded to the consideration of the Deficiency bill.

Mr. Hendricks offered an amendment increasing the salary of the Assistant Secretary of the treasury to five thousand dollars.

After some unimportant amendments, the House bill was then reported as amended and agreed to. The Senate then adjourned.

HOUSE.—Mr. Stevens, of Pa., from the Committee on Ways and Means, reported a bill authorizing the appointment of an Assistant Register of the Treasury; also, a bill extending the time for the withdrawal of goods from the public stores and warehouses.

A bill was reported from the Special Committee on the Pacific Railroad, granting public lands to the People's Pacific Railroad and Telegraph by Coley's Northern route.

Mr. Wallace, delegate from Idaho, introduced a bill to establish a mint in that territory.

All of the above bills were appropriately referred.

Many resolutions of inquiry were adopted, among them one requesting the Committee on Judiciary to report as to the establishment of a new executive department, to be called the Department of Revenue.

Mr. Arnold, of Illinois, offered a resolution declaring that the Constitution should be so amended as to abolish and prohibit slavery wherever it exists.

Mr. Holman, of Indiana, moved to lay the resolution on the table. Not agreed to—yeas 58, nays 70.

Mr. Arnold's resolution was adopted—ayes 98, nays 62.

The House then took up the Senate's amendment to the Internal Revenue bill.

Mr. Stevens moved the concurrence in the Senate's amendments, which he said was a better revenue measure than the bill as passed by the House.

Fernando Wood replied, maintaining the justice of taxing spirits on hand. A debate ensued involving the merits of the Senate's amendments.

The House adjourned without taking any question on the Senate's whisky amendments.

The Chesapeake Piracy Case.

HALIFAX, Feb. 15.—In the Provincial Admiralty Court here to-day, the Hon. Judge Stenart gave his final decision in the Chesapeake piracy case. The vessel and cargo are to be restored to the original owners, on payment of all proper cost and charges.

New Military Commander in Kentucky.

LOUISVILLE, Feb. 15.—Gen. Burbridge is reported as successor to Gen. Ammen, as commander of the United States forces in Kentucky.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

New York Market.

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—Cotton buoyant; sales of 1400 bales at 81½ cents. Flour firm; sales 18,500 bbls at $4,25@4,45 for State, $7,20@8,40 for Ohio, and $7,20@8,10 for Southern. Wheat steady; sales at $1,51@1,54 for Milwaukee Club, $1,46@1,50 for Chicago Spring, and $1,66@1,69 for Red. Corn quiet; sales 23,000 bush $1,22 for new Western mixed, and $1,25 for old. Pork firm at $21,00@21,75. Beef firm. Lard firm at 12½@12¾c. Whisky steady at 85@85c. Sugar firm at 12½@14¾. Coffee quiet. Molasses quiet. Naval Stores heavy; a government prize sale of 2200 bbls rosin at $7. Petroleum firm; refined in bond at 47@47½. Freights quiet; flour 11¾@12c; wheat 4@4½c.

St. Louis Market.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 15.—Cotton—No sales; receipts 507 bales. Flour heavy; $5,25 for superfine. Wheat lower; $1,45@1,48 for prime to choice. Corn steady; $1,01,10¾. Oats firm at 80@83c. Pork dull; delivered at points on the Illinois river at $19. Mess beef $18,50@14,00. Prime mess pork $18@19. Clear sides $11,7c. Shoulders $8,00@8,70. Hams active at $11,34.

Baltimore Market.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 15.—Flour dull. Red wheat active and advanced 2 to 3c. White dull. Corn active; white and yellow $1,11@1,13. Whisky dull and nominal at 97c. Coffee firm at 34@38½c for rio.

Philadelphia Cattle Market.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 15.—Cattle Market.—The offerings of beef cattle are about the same, reaching 1270 head this week. The demand was good and the prices fully sustained and firm; the sales ranging from $8 to $12 for common to good and prime quality, including five extra cattle at 13@13½; also the number the market closing firm. Cows—The receipts reached about 150 head, and prices ranged at $20 to $40 each, for springers, and $30 to $50 for cows and calves. Hogs rather firmer, and 2500 head were offered and sold, mostly at 8@8¾c. Sheep—There were 4000 to 5000 pounds left. Sheep were also firmer, and 5000 were disposed of at 7@8½c per pound gross.

New York Stock and Money Market.

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—Stocks better:

C. & R. I.....	123¼	Cleveland & Toledo...	143¾
Cumberland pfd.....	68½	Michigan Central....	126
Illi Central R'rip....	140	Harlem.....	120¾
Michigan Southern...	96¾	C. & P.....	117
New York Central...	125¾	Terre Haut & Alton...	85¾
Reading.....	118	C. & N. W.	69¾
Hudson River.....	145¾	C. & N. W.	51
Canton Co.....	41¾	Pref. do.....	102¾
Erie R. R.....	72	Pfd. do.....	106¾
Erie R. R. pfd.....	115½	One year certificates.	99¾
Galena & Chicago....	116¾		

New York Bank Statement.

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—The following is the Bank statement for the week ending February 15; Loans, increase, $2,013,433; Circulation, increase, $54,035; Specie, decrease, $549,333; Deposits, increase, $6,972,574.

MARRIED:

BLACK—HAWDON.—On Monday evening, February 15th at the Sixth Presbyterian Church, by the Rev. W. Wilson, D. D., Mr. JOHN BLACK, Jr., and Miss FANNIE E. HAWDON, all of this city.

DIED:

WATSON.—On Sunday afternoon, Feb. 14th, 1864, JOSEPH HORATIO WATSON, in the seventh year of his age.

The funeral will take place from the residence of his father, Mark W. Watson, 315 Penn street, on TUESDAY MORNING, at ten o'clock.

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