Pittsburgh Gazette.

MONDAY MORNING.....MAY 30, 1864.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL.

PITTSBURGH MARKETS.

[Reported Specially for the Pittsburgh Gazette.]

SATURDAY, May 28, 1864.

GRAIN—There is a continued good demand for Wheat, and the receipts continue very light; we quote at $1,60 for Red, from first hands, and $1,65 for White. Corn, under the influence of improved receipts, is dull and prices are drooping; we note shall sales from wharf and depot at $1,37a1,38 and from store at $1,40. Oats, too, are less active and in better supply, but values are nominally unchanged—80 from depot and 82a85 from store. Rye is wanted but there is none in the market.

PROVISIONS—Bacon is decidedly firmer, but, as yet, there is no quotable change in prices, with the exception that prime heavy Shoulders are selling at 12½; but the ordinary run may be fairly quoted at 12. Ribbed Sides are held at 13½a14; Clear do 13½a14; Plain Hams, 15a17½; Plain Sugar Cured, 18½a20, and Canvassed do, 20½a21. Lard is firm, with regular sales of city rendered at 18½. Mess Pork is held higher, but there is no demand, and we quote nominally at $22a20.

GROCERIES—There is rather more inquiry for Sugar but the business in the aggregate is light, while prices are firm and well sustained. Coffee is quiet and dull, and may be quoted nominal at 45a47. Molasses—steady, with sales at from $1,05 to $1,10, as to quality.

FLOUR—There is but little inquiry for this article, and while the market may be quoted very dull, holders are very firm and refuse to make any concessions in order to effect sales. We quote nominally from store at $7 to $7,25 for Extra; $7,50 to $8,00 for Extra Family, and $8,25a8,50 for fancy brands.

BUTTER & EGGS—The receipts of Butter are more liberal and the market is easier and prices are a shade lower, ranging from 25 to 30 for common to strictly prime Roll. Eggs in active demand and firm, but unchanged; sales of 56 bbls at 22 per doz.

POTATOES—Continue very dull and with a supply largely in excess of the present demand; we note small sales at from 90c. to $1,10 per bushel, as to quality, and these appear to be extremes of the market.

DRIED FRUIT—Is steady with a fair local demand, while prices are unchanged. We note sales Apples at 18a19½c for "Ohio" and 18 for "York State." Sales of Peaches at 16c for quarters and 20 for halves.

CHEESE—We note regular sales of Western Reserve at from 14 to 15, for common to prime.

SEEDS—There is a continued good demand for Flax Seed, and we note sales at from $2,25 to $3,00 per bushel.

STAVES—Sales from store of 100 bbls No 1 Extra, at $2,50 per bbl—free on board cars.

Pittsburgh Petroleum Market.

MAY 28—The market for Crude continues firm and, with a good demand and continued light receipts, prices are well sustained, and the tendency is upward. We note sales of 100 bbls at 25, bbls to be returned; 250 bbls at 30, bbls included; 300 at 32½; 180 at 31, and 1100 on private terms. The market closed firm at 26 in bulk and 31, in bbls, and some holders were even asking higher rates, than those above noted. Refined, in bond, there is a continued good speculative demand and the market rules buoyant and firm, with a tendency to still higher rates. Sales of 500 bbls light straw to white—as outside brand—at 52; 250 at 53; 250 at 54, on the spot; and 1000 bbls "Forsyth's" brand, for July delivery, at 55. Free Oil, too, is more active and a shade higher; sales of 400 bbls "Conifer" brand, in second hands, at 65; and 500 bbls "Hutchinson's" brand, at 65—both for present delivery. There is but little inquiry for Naphta, and the absence of sales, we give the nominal quotations at 37a38. Residuum remains about as last quoted.

The receipts by the Allegheny river during the forty-eight hours ending this evening, are as follows: Peacock, Hall & co....585 Gallagher & Danver....83 Maxwell & Fahnestock....63 Jas Wilkins.....202 John Jones Gallagher....160 Hill & Thum.....87 Hamilton & McKee.....196 J & McWhinney.....148 G B Jones.....324 B Ainworth.....90 Fisher & Bro.....63 Levi Wade.....63

Total number bbls.....1715

New York Petroleum Market.

Special Dispatch to the Pittsburgh Gazette.

NEW YORK, May 28—The market for Crude is steady but without quotable change—40 on the spot and 42 for July delivery. Refined in bond is firm with a fair demand at 63 on the spot, and 63a65 for June. Free Oil is firm with sales to a fair extent at 64a70 on the spot; 70 for July and 72a73 for August. Naphta is dull and nominal at former quotations.

Review of the New York Grocery Market.

(From the Shipping List, May 28.)

Sugar—The market for Raw is again half a cent higher, there being a steady good demand from consumers, as well as a continued inquiry for export. Sugars laid down here under the present rates of Duty cost considerably above present market values, and the current business is in those of the importations prior to the April 20, and as these are gradually absorbed, prices, in view of the present high cost, steadily tend upward, holders being tenacious of at least realizing cost on their importations. We quote Fair to good Refining Cuba, 17a17½ cents, though strictly good was sold yesterday at 17½, and by intuitive Fairness to be good, very nearly if not quite 17½; but as there was yesterday a difference of opinion among the Brokers, we quote as above with this explanation. The market, however, closes very strong, and it is understood that no large purchases could be made at inside figures. Refined, too, has been in active request and is higher, rather than Bunyle being quoted at 24a24½ cents for Hard, 22a23 for Soft White, B, and A, and 21a21½ for Yellow. The sales of Raw are 2003 hhds Cuba at 16½a18½ cents; 240 Clarified do, 19½a20; 150 Cuba for export, 19½a11 (cash) in bond; 1 at St Croix, 19; 455 Porto Rico, 16½a19; 10 bbls Fe at 17½; 159 hhds 31 tcs and 236 bbls Demerara, 17, 2246 cses Havanna, 18½a18¾; 95 hhds Retailo, 18½, 4 cses; and 250 bags, 12 hhds and 258 bags (equal to 5,000 bags) Brown Bahia, on terms we do not learn. The stock yesterday was about 48,500 hhds; 37,000 bxs and 77,000 bags sugar, and 417 hhds Melado.

Coffee—Since our last there has been more disposition to purchase Brazil descriptions, and with the recurrence of the revived demand, the market has assumed a little firmer tone, though the actual transactions show a further reduction of half a cent. To Dr. There is a fair demand for Rio, mostly for the sales and shipments from first hands, including those settled in our last; reach some 10,000 bags, the purchases being made from from 29½ up to 34 cents, in bond. The sales before include 2200 bags Rio, per Fates, at 32½ cents; 1000 do do lots, 32a34; 27 do Shimmings, 48, 4 mos; 627 Rio, in bond, 28, cash; 50 Java, 50 cents; 600 Maracaibo, 33½, 8 mos; and 321 cag-and 800 mats Java, on private terms.

Molasses—is noticed in our last, there is a steady good demand from consumers, and the market is very firm at a still further improvement in prices, closing firm. The sales are 336 hhds Porto Rico at 65a66 cents, the lower rate for inferior; 737 hhds, 50 tcs and 163 bbls Cuba Muscovado, 70a85, including Inferior at 64a65; 44 hhds 545 bbls and 75 tcs Clayed Cuba, 70a75; 367 bbls New Orleans, 62a100, mostly for 100, 4 mos, and 450 puncheons Batabocoa, on terms not transpired. The stock yesterday was about 30 Cuba, 4000 Porto Rico, and 2800 barrels New Orleans.

Rice—The market is steady, but remains quiet, with sales of 50 bbls Fara at 9½a10; 150 bags Arracan, Langoon and Patna, private; and 2000 do Langoon, in bond, 7½, cash.

New York Wool Market.

MAY 27.—Manufacturers are purchasing with rather more freedom for current necessities, but the feeling of uncertainty with regard to the future precludes speculative transactions, though the market is strong, both for Domestic and Foreign. With gold at 146, moderate supplies, increased cost abroad, and higher import duties, holders manifest no desire to realize, except full price, and there appears to be quite as much confidence in the future stability of the market as has been manifested at any period during the present season. The sales include 25,000 lbs Domestic Fleece, including St. Croix and Michigan, at 70a75 cents as extreme, but chiefly at 65a70½; 150 bales Paited, 70a75½ for Super and Extra; 20,000 lb California, 45a55; 96 bales Pulled do 70; 225 bales well conditioned Mestiza, 42a4; 110 do Cape Ghadd, 25a26 African, 38; 150 do Smyrna Red Wool, 22; 70 do Entre Rios, 100 do East India, 80 do, Black and Gray Crimea, and 24 do Black Salonica on terms we did not learn. By auction, yesterday, 36 bales Scoured Russian, damaged, $1,04a1,14½, and 20 do unwashed Russian, also damaged, 37½a38.

Liverpool Market—Patterson, Bro. & Co's Circular.

Breadstuffs, which had advanced up to the end of last week, where at once checked when it was found that an arbitrate between Germany and Denmark was agreed upon. Wheat—The advance of last week has been nearly all lost. Flour is also declining. Indian corn has receded 2d, to 6d. from prices realized last week.

Provisions are dull and generally lower. Beef, 2s. 6d. per tierce concession must be made to effect sales. Pork is a similar position. Bacon in large supply and about 1s. lower, unless for heavy mass for export. Hams and shoulders dull. Cheese steady. Butter, new arrival, brings 80s to 92.

Clover seed—About 2,000 bgs taken by speculators at quotations. Bark sells slowly at former rates. Tallow rather in favor of buyers. Petroleum is firmer, and held for some advance, although demand is very limited. Spirits have been taken hold of by speculators, who have advanced price to 1s 9d. Whale oil dull. Sperm very quiet.

Baltimore Grocery Market—May 27.

Sugar—Imports for the week foot up 2117 hhds, 41 tcs and 183 bbls from the West Indies, and the market closed very firm at an advance of ¼ to ⅜c per lb. Sales yesterday and to-day, not before reported, of 175 hhds, 18 tcs and 100 bbls Porto Rico, at brig Frances Jane, at 16c net, 48 hhds Porto Rico at 17¼ cents, and 125 hhds Cuba, fair to good grocery, at 17a17½c net.

Refined Sugars—To day refiners advanced their prices 46½c on hard, and ½c on soft crushed. We now quote lest at 24½c, crushed, powdered and granulated 24½c; no 1 A white 23½c; circ's A 23½c. B 22½c; C extra 21½c; O yellow 21c; circle O 20½c.

Molasses—No sales; prices are firm as before quoted.

Coffee—Rio is quiet; stock in first and second hands 54,600 bags. We quote at 43a45c per lb.

Cleveland Market.

MAY 27—Flour very dull and quiet. A light demand for the home trade at $7,00a7,75 for XX red and $7,75a8,50 for do white.

Wheat—Rather more doing. Sales 6,000 bu red from store, in three lots at $1,60; 1 car red on track at $1,62, and 1 car at $1,63.

Corn—No sales; prices nominally unchanged.

Oats—Better. Sales 1 car on track at 80c.

Rye—Nominal at $1,40 from store.

Barley—Quiet and nominal at $1,25a1,35 for good to prime.

Philadelphia Fish Market.

MAY 27—There have been very few Mackerel coming forward, but the demand is limited and the market is very dull. Sales include at store lots at $18 50a20 ⅌ bbl for No 1's; $16 for Bay; and $13,50 for Shore, No 2's; $13 for Bay, and $12,50 for shore No 3. Codfish are selling at $5,50. Pickled Herring are scarce, and sales include $4 to $7 for Labrador, and Shad are nominally from $10 to $11, and Salmon at $20.

Chicago Market—Mail Report.

MAY 27—Yesterday afternoon and evening the wheat market became firmer, under the advices from New York, and prices advanced 1a1½c per bu on the ruling figure on 'Change. This morning the advance was maintained at the opening and sales were made at $1,25½a1 26 for No 2, and at $1,23a1,23½ for No 1 spring, but owing to a lull, prices fell back ½c, and No 2 sold at $1,25½a1,26½. No 1 spring closed firm at $1,27½a1,27¾.

There was a good demand for flour, and the market was active. Holders, as a general thing, were asking an advance of 5c per bbl, but the sales show no quotable improvement in prices.

Corn was active and firm under a brisk speculative and shipping demand, and the market advanced 2a3c per bushel, with sales at $1,13a1,13½ for No 1, $1,09½a1,10 for No 2, and at $1,03 for rejected, closing firm at $1,13a1,13½, and $1,09½ for No 1 and 2.

The demand for oats was active, and a large amount changed hands at 63½a63c for No 1, and at 60c for No 2, an advance of ¾a¼c per bu on the ruling prices of yesterday.

There was little or nothing done in rye, and prices were almost nominal.

The offerings of barley are meagre, and the market is neglected.

High wines opened dull at $1,21, but closed firm and active at $1,22.

Provisions were firm and tolerably active. Heavy city packed mess pork is held at $23,00, but a lot of repacked sold at $27,00. Prime mess is firm at $27,00, and country mess ordinary at $23,50. Lard sold to the extent of 200 tcs at 13¼a13½c for steam and kettle rendered.

Railroads.

The following are the railroads statistics of the five great railroad states:

	Total miles.	Miles completed.
Ohio	4,550	3,357
Pennsylvania	4,071	3,505
Illinois	2,679	2,090
New York	2,606	2,892
Indiana	2,579	2,179

It is interesting to note the growth of the railway interest in the United States. From 1826 to 1829, there were but three miles of railway in the country. On the 1st of January, 1835, there were 762 miles; in 1845, the number had increased to 4,311 miles; in 1854, to 15,672 miles; and on the 1st of January, 1864, the amount of completed railway has grown to 33,610 miles, with 10,000 more miles in progress.

Toledo Market

May 27—Flour—Sales 200 "Manchester," white wheat, at $7,75.

Wheat—Sales 2,000 bush No 1 Red at 145c; 4,000 do No 1 White at 150c; 1600 do Amber Mich at 152c. 1,100 do No 2 Red at 145c; 1,900 do No 1 White at 150c; 600 do do at same, 250 do, 151 do and 500 bush Mich White, all at 152; 300 bush No 2 Red at 145c; 300 bush, 1,000 and 200 and 265 do Amber Mich at 152; 3,500 do do 3 Red at 140c.

Corn—Declined 1c; sale of 1,200 M. S. corn at 116c.

Oats—Last sale at 75½c.

Rye—Nominally 120c.

Barley—Nothing doing; we quote Winter at 140c and nominal.

Seeds—Clover, $7,00; Timothy, $3,00a3,25; Flax, $2,75.

Philadelphia Wool Market.

MAY 27—The market has been quiet since our last report, but without essential change in prices, and holders are firm in their views. The sales comprise—

28,000 lbs medium and fine at	50a55c
6,000 lbs fub	54a55c
20,000 lbs 1-2 blood	64c
3,000 lbs 3-4 blood	65c
10,000 lbs medium	62c
3,000 lbs low fleece	62c

The Crops.

The Monmouth (Ill) Gazette says:

Notwithstanding the fears entertained in regard to the fall wheat in this country, the prospect is now that it will prove an average crop. Rye is already heading out. Spring wheat and oats look well, except on flat lands. Early planted corn is already up and looking well. The prospect for apples, and almost all fruits grown in this latitude is very good.

Imports by Railroad.

PITTSBURGH FT. WAYNE AND CHICAGO RAILROAD, May 28—200 bbls wheat, J S Liggett & co; 250 pigs lead, D A Fahnestock & co; 499 do do, McKee & co; 1 car fire clay, Kier, Glover & co; 17 pkgs pearl ashes J B Canfield; 2 bbls eggs, John Bush; 2 pkgs liquor, A Gackenheimer J Dre; 28 bgs oats B H Jack & co; 2 cars stone M McIntyre; 1 crack lead, S Hazleton; 275 shs nails, J Dorrington & co; 8 hs corn, Sing-ham, Sturgeon & co, 52 bbls flour, Andy Jackman; 17 bbls rye flour, Mackown & Linhart; 2 cars timber, E Langham; 140 bgs wheat, J S Liggett & co; 44 ears corn, 126 do oats, W M Gormley; 1st corn in bulk, Hitchcock, McCreary & co.

CLEVELAND AND PITTSBURGH RAILROAD, May 28—150 sks wheat J S Liggett & co; 110 bgs oats, S B Floyd; 23 pkgs fish, Potter, Aiken & Shephard; 95 do do, H Biddle; 100 bgs rye, Thos Moore; 100 bbls sand, J B Lyon; 2 pkgs fruit, L H Voigt.

ALLEGHENY STATION, May 28—2 cars timber, S M Kier; 54 hds cheese, 4 bbls eggs, Shuis, Son & co; 5 pkgs rags, 1 bbl eggs, Wm Sedden; 5 bbls whisky, Mercer & Robinson; 6 bgs potatoes, Jacob Sarg; 1 bbl molasses, 1 pkg fish, Hahn & Biddle; 6 bbls eggs, 3 bgs seed, Engelhart & anthall.

Imports by River.

WHEELING—per MINERVA—6 rolls leather, P Markey, 6 cks carthes ware, John J O'Leary; 240 do, 5 do tobacco, Clark & co; 22 sks oats, 50 bbls high wines, Dorlington & co; 75 bbls paper, Miller & Bickerson; 100 do do, E Hazleton; 33 oil bbls Wm Mackown; 1 bdl bags, Patterson & Ammon; 38 bbls; 16 sheep skins, Geo H Anderson, 60 bgs barley, Cook, Pettit & co; 55 pkgs ale, Wm Edmunds & co; 1 bbl butter, 5 tubs ears, J M Osborne; 1 pkg L Muller; 1 bx castings, Beckham & Long; 2 beat lines sts, Lewis & Ritchart; do do, R G Murphy; 1 bbl fish, W P Beck & co; 1 bbl, 1 bx 1 bbl meat J S Dilworth & co; 11 bbls wool, Fenna B B.

STEAMBOATS

FOR CINCINNATI & LOUISVILLE.—The fin new steamer CANDACE ROBINSON, Capt. R. Robinson, will leave as above on WEDNESDAY, June 1st.

For freight or passage apply on board or to JOHN FLACK.

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FOR CAIRO & ST. LOUIS.—The fine steamer O TABIO, Capt. Parten, will leave for the above and intermediate ports THIS DAY, 30th inst., at 4 o'clock p. m.

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FOR NASHVILLE.—The splendid new passenger steamer AMERICA, Capt. Golding, will leave for the above and intermediate ports on THIS DAY, 30th inst, at 4 o'clock p. m.

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REGULAR WHEELING & PARKERSBURG PACKET.—The fine steamer MINERVA, Capt. John Gordon, will leave Pittsburgh for Wheeling every MONDAY, WEDNESDAY and FRIDAY, making close connections with the Wheeling and Parkersburg Packets. Returning, will leave Wheeling every TUESDAY, THURSDAY and SATURDAY. Passengers and freight receipted through to Parkersburg.

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R. S. PIERCE & CO., Agents, m031 Zanesville, Ohio.

TREASURER'S OFFICE, ALLEGHENY CO., Pa., } Pittsburgh, May 24, 1864.

IN PURSUANCE OF the 21st section of an Act relating to Allegheny county, passed May 21st, 1861, I, DAVID AIKEN, Jr., Treasurer of said county, hereby give notice that I will attend for the purpose of receiving taxes in the several Wards, Boroughs, Townships and Precincts of said county, at the place of holding general elections therein respectively, on the following dates, from 10 o'clock a. m. until 5 o'clock p. m., to wit:

First Ward, Pittsburgh; First Ward, Allegheny; Elizabeth borough, Sewickley borough, Hadley township, Elizabeth township, Franklin township, Fawn township.

ON THURSDAY, JUNE 2D.

Second Ward, Pittsburgh; Second Ward, Allegheny; West Elizabeth borough, Robinson borough, Marshall township, Harrison township, Moon township, Jefferson township.

ON FRIDAY, JUNE 3D.

First precinct, Third ward, Pittsburgh; First precinct, Third ward, Allegheny; Tarentum borough, Sharpsburg borough; Pine township, North Fayette township, Millvale township, East Deer township.

ON SATURDAY, JUNE 4TH.

Second precinct, Third ward, Pittsburgh; Second precinct, Third ward, Allegheny; Temperanceville borough, Dugansville borough, Kirkwood township, Indiana township, South Fayette township, Versailles township.

ON MONDAY, JUNE 6TH.

Fourth ward, Pittsburgh; First precinct, Fourth ward, Allegheny; Manchester borough, Lawrenceville borough, Hampton township, West Deer township, Robinson township, Patton township.

ON TUESDAY, JUNE 7TH.

First precinct, Fifth ward, Pittsburgh; Second precinct, Fourth ward, Allegheny; West Pittsburgh borough, Homogabela borough, Richland township, Shaler township, Upper St. Clair township, Plum township.

ON WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8TH.

Second precinct, Fifth ward, Pittsburgh; Sixth ward, Pittsburgh; South Pittsburgh; First precinct, Birmingham borough; Ross township, Ohio township, Snowden township, Penn township.

ON THURSDAY, JUNE 9TH.

Seventh ward, Pittsburgh; Eighth ward, Pittsburgh; Second precinct, Birmingham borough; East Birmingham borough, Sewickley township, McClure township, Baldwin township, Scott tp.,

ON FRIDAY, JUNE 10TH.

Ninth ward, Pittsburgh; Reserve township, Charters township, Union township, Wilkins township, First precinct Peebles township, Collins township, Lower St. Clair township.

ON SATURDAY, JUNE 11TH.

Second precinct, Peebles township; Fitz township, Crescent township, Neville township.

ON MONDAY, JUNE 13TH.

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LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES:

Passed at the First Session of the Thirty-eighth Congress.

[PUBLIC—No. 48.]

AN ACT in addition to an act for the establishment of certain arsenals.

Whereas it is necessary that the Government of the United States should at an early day, for the purpose of the arsenal at Rock Island, in the State of Illinois, provided for in the act passed July eleventh, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, obtain the possession of and title to certain lands, now the property of private persons, upon which to locate the said arsenal, with the grounds and buildings needful for and to make a part of the same: Now, therefore,

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War be, and he is hereby, authorized and empowered to take and hold full, complete, and permanent possession in behalf of the United States, of all the lands and shores of the island of Rock Island, in the State of Illinois, the same, when so possessed, to be held and kept as a military reservation by the War Department, upon which shall be built and maintained an arsenal for the construction, deposit, and repair of arms and munitions of war, and such other military establishments as have been or may be authorized by law to be placed thereon in connection with such arsenal.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That if it shall appear upon examination by the Attorney General of the United States of the titles of the lands on Rock Island taken and occupied by the Secretary of War for an arsenal and other military purposes, as provided in the foregoing section, that any part or parcels thereof are now the property of, and have rightfully possessed by, any individual or corporation as his or their own private property, the value of such private property so taken, and a just compensation for any damages caused by such taking, shall, if mutually agreed on by the Secretary of War and the rightful owner or owners thereof, and approved by the President, be paid by the Secretary of the Treasury to said rightful owner or owners so agreeing, out of the appropriations made or to be made for the construction of said arsenal: *Provided*, That before such payment shall be made, the said owner or owners of such private property so taken, or such of them as shall agree, shall by good and sufficient deed or deeds, in due form of law, and approved by the Attorney General of the United States, fully release and convey to the United States all their and each of their several and respective rights in and titles to such lands so taken.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That if the Secretary of War shall not agree with any private owner or owners of land so taken for the use of the United States for military purposes, or if any such owner or owners shall refuse to accept the sum to be paid to him or them by the Secretary of the Treasury as and for the true value thereof, or shall from any other cause neglect or fail for the space of twelve months after such taking to execute and deliver the deed or deeds thereof needful, in the opinion of the Attorney General of the United States, to convey to the United States the title of said lands taken, there shall forthwith be selected three competent persons, who shall be named and appointed by the President, and shall by him be constituted a board of commissioners, whose duty it shall be to hear the parties interested, who may appear before them upon reasonable notice of time and place, and ascertain the true value of the land taken, and of the several parcels thereof that shall not have been conveyed to or paid for by the United States as aforesaid, and to make a plain statement and list of the claimants thereof, if more than one, and their respective interests therein, and what compensation for the taking of their lands is due to each claimant; and the said board of commissioners shall report the same as early as practicable after their appointment to the circuit court of the United States within and for the district in which such lands are situated; and in case of a difference of opinion in the said board as to the matters referred to them, the report of a majority of the commissioners shall be held to be the report of the board. And the compensation and expenses of the said commissioners shall be fixed and approved by the Secretary of War, and paid by the Secretary of the Treasury upon his requisition.

SEC. 4. *And be it further enacted*, That the said circuit court, upon the return and examination of the report of the said commissioners, shall, for the parcels of land taken, as to which there appear to be no conflicting claims for compensation, by decree, order the sums awarded by the commissioners in said report to be paid to the person or persons who shall, according to said report, be entitled thereto, and who shall apply therefor, and who shall, by writing filed in the said court, waive his or their right to an appeal from the determination of the said board of commissioners, and agree to accept the said sum, in full satisfaction of his or their claims for such lands, taken by the United States: *Provided*, That if the party entitled, and applying as aforesaid, or filing a complaint as hereinafter provided, shall have an estate for life only in said land, or any estate less than a fee simple, or shall be a married woman, or a minor, or non compos mentis, the court aforesaid shall, in its final judgment or decree, make such order for the payment of the said compensation to the party for its payment into court, and as to the investment of the principal and disposal of the income, or interest thereof, as shall be just and equitable, and for the protection of the rights of those interested, in accordance with the rules and practice of courts of equity, in cases where a fund in court is to be divided and administered.

SEC. 5. *And be it further enacted*, That any person or persons aggrieved by the doings of the aforesaid board of commissioners, in the estimation of his or their damages, or in the refusal or omission thereof, may at any time within twelve months from and after the rendition of said report to the said circuit court, or within three years after the land claimed shall have been taken, make application by complaint in writing to the said court sitting as a court of equity, setting forth the title which he or they may have or claim in said lands taken, in parcels thereof, and the grievance complained of; and the said court, after reasonable notice to the district attorney of the United States for that district, who shall appear and act for and in behalf of the United States, shall proceed and hear the parties, and their evidence, according to the course of proceedings, in equity, and shall determine what right or title, if any, the complainant or complainants had in and to the parcels of land taken claimed by him or them, and shall ascertain and by decree fix the sum or sums of money to which as damages or just compensation for such taking the complainants, severally, or jointly, if they apply jointly, are entitled: *Provided*, That if a complainant in any case shall, in writing or by motion, so request the value of the land taken or his interest therein shall be assessed or determined by a jury upon the law side of the court, upon issues properly framed under the direction or allowance of the court sitting in equity.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That the attorney of the United States shall so request, the court may, before ordering issues to be framed for a jury, as provided in the foregoing section, require the complainants applying therefor to undertake and to give security satisfactory to the court therefor, that they will pay the costs of court to be taxed by the court, if the verdict of such jury shall not be in favor of such complainants, and or a sum larger than that allowed by the board of commissioners in their report; and the decision of all questions as to the amount of costs to be paid by or to the complainants shall be within the determination of the court at their discretion, and according to the rules of equity practised in the courts of the United States.

SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted*, That either party may appeal to the Supreme Court of the United States from any final judgment or decree which may be rendered by said circuit court in any case arising under the provisions of this statute, where the amount in controversy exceeds three thousand dollars: *Provided*, That such appeal shall be taken within ninety days after the rendition of such judgment or decree.

SEC. 8. *And be it further enacted*, That in all cases of final judgments or decrees by said Circuit Court, or on appeal by the said Supreme Court, where the same shall be affirmed in favor of the claimant, the sum due thereby shall be paid either to the claimant or the Circuit Court aforesaid, as said judgment or decree may determine, by the United States, out of the money appropriated for the construction and maintenance of said arsenal, on presentation to the Secretary of the Treasury of a copy of said judgment or decree signed by the presiding judge, and certified by the clerk of said Circuit Court. And such payment shall be a full discharge to the United States for the compensation and damages due for the taking of the lands, in respect of which the said judgment or decree was rendered or made, and shall forever bar any further claim or demand against the United States arising out of the taking of such land. And such payment, or the lawful tender thereof, shall operate as and shall be deemed and held to be a full and complete conveyance of the parcel or parcels of land for which it was made to the United States.

SEC. 9. *And be it further enacted*, That every claim against the United States for the taking of land for public uses herein authorized, shall be forever barred unless, within three years from the time of such taking, the claim for compensation therefor shall be adjusted by agreement with the Secretary of War, or be settled by an award of the board of commissioners, or a petition shall be filed in the Circuit Court of the United States in the district in which the land is situated: *Provided however*, That the claims of persons, who at the time of the taking shall be under the age of twenty-one years, married women, idiots, lunatics, or insane or beyond seas, shall not be barred if their position or complaint be filed in said court as aforesaid, within three years after the disability has ceased, but no disability other than those enumerated shall prevent any claim from being barred, nor shall any of the said disabilities operate against the United States.

Approved, April 19, 1864.

[PUBLIC—No 49.]

AN ACT fixing the date of the loss of the U. S. brig "Bainbridge," and for the relief of officers, seamen, and marines of the same, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the purpose of fixing the time at which shall commence the pensions, under the existing laws, of the widows and orphan children of the officers, seamen, marines, and others in service who were lost in the United States brig "Bainbridge," be, and the same is hereby, fixed at the twenty-first day of August, in the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three, shall be deemed, and taken to be the date at which the said brig "Bainbridge," foundered at sea.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the widow or child or children, and in case there shall be no widow, or child or children, as aforesaid, then the parent or parents, and if there be no parents, the guardian and administrator of the officers, seamen, marines, and others in service, who were lost in said brig "Bainbridge," shall be entitled to and receive, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, a sum equal to twelve months pay of their respective deceased relations, aforesaid, in addition to the pay due to said deceased at the date of the loss of said vessel.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted*, That the proper accounting officers of the Treasury Department be and are hereby authorized and directed to settle the accounts of Charles C. Walden, late acting assistant paymaster in the navy, who was lost in the brig "Bainbridge," with all his accounts and vouchers for expenditures and payment made by him, and with all the money, stores, and supplies procured for the use of said vessel, and to allow him a credit for whatever sum appears to be due from him on the books of the Department.

Approved, April 19, 1864.

[PUBLIC RESOLUTION—No. 20.]

JOINT RESOLUTION tendering the thanks of Congress to Admiral Farragut.

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the thanks of Congress be and they are hereby tendered to Admiral David D. Porter, commanding the Mississippi squadron, for the energy and skill exhibited by him and his squadron, in co-operation with the army on the Mississippi river.

Approved, April 19, 1864.

[PUBLIC RESOLUTION—No. 21.]

JOINT RESOLUTION authorizing the Secretary of the Navy to sell at public auction lot number thirteen, in the village of Sackett's Harbor, New York.

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Navy be and he is hereby authorized and empowered, at his discretion, to sell at public auction, after proper advertisement, and to convey, by quit claim or otherwise, lot number thirteen, in the village of Sackett's Harbor, New York, the same not being wanted for the use of the United States.

Approved, April 19 1864

[PUBLIC RESOLUTION—No. 22.]

JOINT RESOLUTION relative to the accounts of the petty officers, seamen, and others of the crew of the United States gunboat "Cincinnati."

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the proper accounting officers of the Treasury be and they are hereby authorized, in settling the accounts of the petty officers, seamen, and others of the crew of the United States gunboat "Cincinnati," to allow each of them all back pay and a sum, not exceeding fifty dollars, for loss of clothing and other property, by the sinking of the said vessel in the Mississippi river, near Vicksburgh, on the twenty-second day of May, eighteen hundred and sixty-three.

Approved, April 19, 1864.

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ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.—Letters of Administration on the estate of Patrick M. Miller, late of the City of Pittsburgh, deceased, having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims to present them without delay.

SARAH C. MILLER, Administratrix,
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ADMINISTRATORS NOTICE.—All persons knowing themselves to be indebted to the estate of James Lowry, sr., late of the city of Pittsburgh, deceased, are hereby notified to make payment and those having claims against said estate will please present the same, properly authenticated, for settlement. JAMES LOWRY, Jr.,

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MISCELLANEOUS.

A JOINT RESOLUTION proposing certain Amendments to the Constitution.

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, That the following amendments be proposed to the Constitution of the Commonwealth, in accordance with the provisions of the tenth article thereof:

There shall be an additional section to the third article of the Constitution, to be designated as section four, as follows:

"SECTION 4. Whenever any of the qualified electors of this Commonwealth shall be in any actual military service, under a requisition from the President, or by the authority of this Commonwealth, such electors may exercise the right of suffrage in all elections by the citizens, under such regulations as are, or shall be, prescribed by law, as fully as if they were present at their usual place of election."

SECTION 2. There shall be two additional sections to the eleventh article of the Constitution, to be designated as sections eight and nine, as follows:

"SECTION 8. No bill shall be passed by the Legislature containing more than one subject, which shall be clearly expressed in the title, except appropriation bills."

"SECTION 9. No bill shall be passed by the Legislature granting any powers, or privileges, in any case, where the authority to grant such powers or privileges has been, or may hereafter be, conferred upon the courts of this Commonwealth."

HENRY JOHNSON,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
JOHN P. PENNEY,
Speaker of the Senate.

OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH, Harrisburg April 25, 1864.

PENNSYLVANIA, ss

I do hereby certify that the foregoing and annexed is a full, true and correct cop