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FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

BROKERS' AND BANKERS' BOARD.

(CORRECTED BY ROBINSON, McCLEAN & CO.)

CITY, Wednesday, January 4, 1865.

Offer. Asked. Sales.

U. S. Bonds, 5-20s ..... 1.01 —
" " 10-40s ..... — 1.02
Certificates ..... — —
Connellsville ..... 40.00 —
" Shares ..... 11.50 —
Exchange ..... 20.00 —
Columbia ..... 90.00 —
Phillips ..... — 6.50
Elkhorn ..... — —
Pantoon ..... — —
Tar, Story & Co. 1.00 1.01
Cherry Run 1.05 1.06
Cherry Run & Blood 1.05 1.06
Ohio Valley ..... — —
Baker ..... 95 —
Pittsb'h & Great Western 2.00 2.05
Pittsburgh & Philadelphia ..... 1.00 —

Market quiet. There was nothing done in Governments at the Board to-day. Gold 2.05. Nothing doing in Bank or Insurance shares. We report sales of Cherry Run and Blood Oil Co at 1.05; Oil Creek and Cherry Run at 4.00. A slim attendance at board, and but little disposition to operate.

The Fleming & Blood Farm Petroleum Co., have declined a dividend of three per cent on the capital stock payable on and after the 16th inst. The Company also give notice that a second dividend will be declared quarterly, or semi-annually, as the directors may determine.

The following sales were made at the regular board to-day; 200 shares Cherry Run & Blood at 1.05; 403 shares Tar, Story & Cherry Run at 1.01; and 200 shares Oil Creek & Cherry Run at 4.00.

The Cashier of the Cuthrey has issued his official certificate of authorization to the Iron City National Bank of Pittsburgh. The Bank has been duly organized under and according to the requirements of the act of Congress provided for the transfer of banks to National Banks, and that therefore the "Iron City National Bank of Pittsburgh" is duly authorized to commence the business of banking in new capacity. The Iron City Bank is one of our oldest institutions, and has always enjoyed sound reputation as a financial institution.

Sale of Stocks Tuesday Evening, Jan. 3d, at Commercial Sales Room, 84 Fifth Street, by A. McIlvaine, Auctioneer:

Citizens Gas Bank	$97.50
do do	97.00
Birmingham Passenger Railway	20.00
Connellsville Railroad	12.00
Tar, Story & Cherry Run	1.10
Cherry Run & Blood	1.05
Fleming & Blood	2.25
Fleming	2.00
Rosa	1.00
Richey	2.00
Rosa	1.00
do	1.05
do	1.00

The Pittsburgh & Boston Mining Company which owns the Ridge & Lafferty Mine, in Potter county, has a capital of $100,000, which sum is less than the average annual profit divided in dividends during fifteen years of its existence. Original subscribers to its shares, who held fast and paid assessments till the mine was struck, have received dividends of 1,000 per cent, exceeding the cost of their shares many times over, and an annual profit of $100,000 on the dividends paid out of the profits of the profits of the first mine named, in addition to which, the company possess assets worth a half a million of dollars, after paying out of profits an copper mine and all such assets are represented by real and personal property used in the commercial conduct of the company's business.

The Scott mine on the Oil City *Register* says:

We have not learned of any new wells having struck during the week. The Phillips well, on Tarr farm, which is flowing and pumping about forty barrels per day. We notice by the Eastern exchanges flowing accounts of the striking of good wells daily on some different farms in this region. Such a thing as a well coming in for 500 barrels per day, on first strike, is not unfrequent, and the excitement in oil stocks, who thus have an opportunity of selling out. True, it makes some parties feel good while the impression lasts, but it is a fact that all should observe, which is that the shows of wells when first struck should not be taken as the standard, as are not always a reliable indication of a good well. We only report wells after they have been tubed and pumped, which often takes a few weeks.

The annual statement of the imports of dry goods at the port of New York extends to December 30, 1864. The total is only four and a quarter millions in excess of 1863. The following will show the description of goods in the last three years:

IMPORTS OF DRY GOODS.

	1862.	1863.	1864.
Manufs. of Wool ...	$23,186,629	$20,113,856	$21,611,262
Manufs. of Cotton ...	8,564,517	7,911,527	8,499,366
Manufs. of Silk ...	11,604,167	15,734,440	16,161,560
Manufs. of Flax ...	4,668,916	10,351,039	11,621,531
Miscel. Dry Goods ...	2,962,370	2,731,106	3,956,630
Total imports ...	$56,121,221	$67,374,547	$71,589,753

ALLEGHENY CATTLE MARKET.

Reported for the Pittsburgh Gazette.

OFFICE, Wednesday, Dec. 28th—

Our market this week opened with a good supply of cattle on sale at the stock yards, but with a brisk demand, the market ruled firm and buoyant, and at the close of Monday evening the pens were pretty well cleared. As compared with last week prices are a shade higher for really good cattle, while ordinary and inferior stock remain without quotable change. There was a good demand for good heavy steers and oxen suitable for government contractors, and some 200 head were taken for the purpose at prices ranging from 5 to 7½c according to quality and condition. There was also a good demand for shipping grades of stock and about all that offered suitable, for the Eastern markets, were picked up at full prices. Our butchers, too, bought more freely than for several weeks, and at a slight advance on some of them paid as high as 8 to 8½c for nice fat, smooth stock, and it is said that a few head brought 8¼. Upon the whole, the Market was reported as a very good one for those who had stock for sale, and, as we have already said, prices were either better, and in some cases effected without the usual hesitation, on the part of buyers. Several car loads of Cattle arrived during Monday night, a portion of which we understand were left at the stock yards for sale, and the balance would doubtless find ready sale at this time during the day.

The following is a full and reliable report of all the leading sales, together with the names of the parties buying and shipping thereon:

J. Lafferty wholesaled 19 head of fairish cows and steers for Simpson, at $62.50 per head.

Rice & Co. retailed 28 head of fairish cows and steers at prices ranging from 5 to 7 cts.

Grogwald & Kahl wholesaled 27 head of fairish cows and steers for Simpson, at $62.50 per head.

Rice & Co. retailed 30 head of fairish cows and steers at 5 to 7 cts for medium to prime.

Myers & Bro reported having bought 150 head of government stock at from 5 to 7½c, as to quality.

Jas. Ahl & Co. report having purchased 60 head of stock, for shipment to Philadelphia, at 6½ @ 6¾c.

Reichwald & Crosby retailed a head of mixed stock at from 5 to 7½c.

Merrick & Hook retailed 40 head of mixed stock at from 6@7½c.

Wm. M. Taudrum & Co. report having retailed 150 head of cattle during the week at prices ranging from 5 to 8c.

Wm. Marks & Co. retailed 30 head at 6@6½c.

W. J. Lafferty & Co. report having purchased 60 head for shipment at prices ranging from 5.50@6.25.

J. W. Evans retailed 16 head of fairish Ohio stock to Merrick & Dunn, at $60.

George Forsyth wholesaled a head of commonish stock to Marks & Trautman at 5c.

Obenchain & Marks & Trautman at 5c.

A. Foster wholesaled 17 head to Rothschilds & Co. at 5c, and 26 head to Lee, Ahl & Lee at 6c.

Crawford & Cameron wholesaled 27 head to Merrick & Dunn at 6c.

John Hook to Myers & Bro 15 head at 6c.

Jas. Sidner retailed 18 head of Western Reserve stock at from 6@6½c.

Eli Smith & Co. retailed 17 head of fairish to prime stock at 6@6½c.

Hook & Myers retailed 20 head of fairish stock at 6c.

Merrick & Dunn retailed 30 head of fairish stock at 6