The Pittsburgh Gazette.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1865.

TRAVELERS' GUIDE.

Arrival and Departure of Trains.

Pennsylvania Central Railroad.

Departs.		Arrives.	
Day Express	2:20 a m	Mail	1:50 a m
Altoona Accom'n	7:10 a m	Fast Line	2:40 a m
Cincinnati Exp's	8:20 a m	1st Wall Accom.	6:25 a m
Mail	11:50 a m	1st Penn Accom.	7:55 a m
Phila. Express	3:55 p m	2d Wall Accom.	8:50 a m
Johnst'n Ac'n	4:15 p m	Johnst'n Acc'n	10:25 a m
Fast Line	10:00 p m	4th Erie Mail	12:25 p m
1st Wall Accom.	6:20 a m	Baltimore Exp's	1:20 p m
2d "	10:45 a m	3d Wall Accom.	1:50 p m
3d "	4:05 p m	Phila. Express	2:05 p m
1st Penn Accom.	5:30 p m	2d Penn Acco'n	6:25 p m
2d "	6:00 p m	Altoona Accom.	
		Church Train	12:50 p m

Church train leaves Wall's Station every Sunday at 9:05 a. m.; returning, leaves Pittsburgh at 1:15 p. m.

Pittsburgh, Columbus and Cincinnati.

Departs.		Arrives.	
Fast Line	2:03 a m	Fast Line	8:23 a m
Mail	6:13 a m	Mail	3:28 p m
Express	2:43 p m	Express	10:03 a m
Steubenville Accommodation	4:15 p m	Steubenville Accommodation	10:23 a m

Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne and Chicago.

Departs.		Arrives.	
Express	2:03 a m	Express	2:03 a m
Express	1:55 p m	Express	3:13 p m
Express	2:58 p m	Express	12:22 p m
Mail	7:13 a m	Mail	6:18 p m
Wheeling Exp's	5:13 p m		

New Brighton Accommodation leaves Allegheny depot at 9 a. m., 11:50 a. m., 4:20 p. m., and 5:40 p. m.; Rochester, 2:15 p. m.; New Castle, 3:50 p. m.; Economy, 10:20 p. m.; Wellsville, 3:50 p. m.

Pittsburgh, Cleveland and Wheeling.

Departs.		Arrives.	
Express	2:23 a m	Express	3:55 p m
Express	1:50 p m	Express	9:13 p m
Mail	6:23 a m	Express	2:23 a m

Steubenville Accommodation leaves Allegheny at 3:20 p. m.

Pittsburgh and Connellsville.

Departs.		Arrives.	
Mail	7:15 a m	Mail	7:05 p m
Express	3:00 p m	Express	10:30 a m
1st McKeesport	11:00 a m	1st McKeesport	6:50 a m
2d "	6:15 p m	2d "	2:05 p m

Allegheny Valley Railroad.

Departs.		Arrives.	
Mail	6:45 a m	Express	11:00 a m
Express	3:10 p m	Mail	10:30 a m
Accommodation	1:40 p m	Accommodat'n	9:09 a m

Pittsburgh and Erie Railroad, to Oil City and Franklin.

Arrives.		Departs.	
No. 40 Express	7:43 p m	No. 37 Express	6:53 a m

Via Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne & Chicago and Beaver Valley.

Brownsville Boat—Grant and Water Streets.

Arrives. 2:00 a. m. .... 4:00 p. m. Departs. 8:01 a. m. .... 6:00 p. m.

Harmony Stage—Red Lion Hotel, St. Clair Street.

Arrives. 6½ p. m. Departs. 6.00 a. m.

Butler Stage—No. 6 St. Clair Street.

Arrival. 5½ p. m. Departs. 6½ a. m.

Washington Stage—Hare's Hotel.

Arrives. 2½ p. m. Departs. 5:30 a. m.

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CITY AND SUBURBAN.

Hardware in New Castle.

We call the attention of the numerous readers of both the Daily and Weekly Gazette in New Castle and the surrounding neighborhood, to the advertisement of A. Hutton & Co., wholesale and retail hardware dealers, which will be found in another column. This is one of the best and most substantial houses in Western Pennsylvania. We have known the members of the firm long and favorably, and can say, without any hesitation, that there are no more honest or upright merchants in any place. A. Hutton, Esq., the active partner in the concern, has had an experience of sixteen years in the hardware trade and is one of the most thorough going business men with whom we are acquainted. His great experience in the trade, coupled with the fact that the firm buys everything for cash, enables him to purchase on the very best terms, which are made to inure to the benefit of the customers of the establishment. H. J. Murdoch, Esq., one of the editors and proprietors of the United Presbyterian, is the other partner. It is unnecessary for us to say anything in commendation of Mr. Murdoch as he is so well and so generally known as a business man of first-rate qualifications, gentlemanly deportment and accommodating disposition. Our commercial intercourse with him has always been pleasant and agreeable. We can cheerfully commend the house to our numerous patrons in Lawrence, Mercer, Beaver, Butler and Crawford counties, in this State, as well as in Eastern Ohio.

News Boys' Dinner.

It is the intention of Mr. John W. Pittock, the enterprising book seller on Fifth street, to give a New Year's dinner to the news boys at the "Home," corner of Fifth and Smithfield streets, on New Year's day. Like everything else that Mr. Pittock undertakes, the dinner will be gotten up in splendid style, and the little fellows will be treated in a manner that will make them remember the 1st day of January, 1866, and John W. Pittock, for many a long day. About three hundred guests—ladies and gentlemen—have been invited, and will be present to partake of the cheer, and note the progress of the young proteges of the Home. How different is the condition of these poor little—as we were going to say outcasts—fellows, now, to what it was a year or two since. Then we would see them at every hour of the night, sometimes barefooted, braving the winter's storm, or nestling among the warm ashes along the furnaces of a printing office. Now they are provided with comfortable beds, and good wholesome meals, and their condition, both morally and physically, improved. We hope the little fellows may be cheered by the sight of many sympathizing faces upon this occasion. A happy New Year to the little fellows.

Robbery at the St. Charles Hotel.

Mr. W. Canning, agent of Madame Celeste, was robbed yesterday morning while asleep in his room at the St. Charles Hotel, of his pocket book, containing a valuable diamond breast pin, in the shape of a cross, valued at about seven hundred dollars, and some forty or fifty dollars in money. From all the information we could obtain, it appears that at an early hour yesterday morning, the porter entered the room for the purpose of lighting the fire, after completing which he left the room, Mr. Canning in the meanwhile being asleep. During the interim between the time of his leaving the room and Mr. C's awakening, some thief entered the room and abstracted the pocket book from his pantaloons pocket. He had a much larger sum of money in his possession, which the thief failed to get. The pocket book was found in a room on the opposite side of the hall, rifled of its contents. The perpetrator of the robbery has not been discovered.

Special Religious Services.—By special request, Rev. W. A. Davidson will deliver a discourse on the *Intermediate State*, in the Liberty Street M. E. Church, of which he is pastor, to-morrow morning at half past ten o'clock.

At night (New Year's eve), "Watch Meeting" services—a time-honored custom among the Methodists—will commence at nine o'clock, consisting of a sermon by the pastor, followed with interesting and solemn exercises until the closing of the old year.

Gymnasium. The members of the Pittsburgh Gymnasium should bear in mind that there will be a meeting at their rooms this evening, for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year. The Gymnasium is an institution that is growing in importance from year to year, and the election of officers who will look after, and advance its interests is a matter of importance. We hope there will be a full attendance of the members to-night.

Assault and Battery.—Mr. Laughlin, clerk of the steamer Delaware, was yesterday arrested by Officers Williston and Messner, on complaint of a young man whose name we were unable to learn, on a charge of assault and battery. The case was settled before the Mayor by Mr. Laughlin paying the costs in the case, and indemnifying the young man for the injuries received.

Billiard Tournament.—There will be a grand billiard tournament commencing on New Year's day at the billiard rooms of Henry Nichols, on Fourth street, below Wood, and continuing throughout the week. The game is open to all who wish to enter the lists, and the prize is a handsome gold mounted cue, valued at seventy-five dollars.

Fire.—The alarm of fire last night was occasioned by the partial burning of the charcoal shed attached to the rolling mill of Shoenberger & Co. The Niagara engine was soon on the ground, and the fire extinguished with but slight damage.

Skating.—The weather has turned quite cold last night, and we should not wonder if both the skating parks were found in excellent condition to-day. If they are there will be a grand skating carnival to-night.

"The Fenian Circle Songster,"—A collection of songs sung at the Circles of the Fenian Brotherhood has just been published, and is for sale by John P. Hunt & Co., Masonic Hall, Fifth street.

Direct Rail Line Between Pittsburgh and Cleveland.

We find in the U. S. Railroad *Register* the following letter from our townsman, Wm. McCreery, Esq:

PITTSBURGH, December 20, 1865.—*Dear Sir*: In the last number of your valuable paper, you quote from a recent speech of the President of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company, to show that an "understanding" was had between that gentleman and Sir Morton Peto, that, on the completion of the proposed direct line from Connellsville to Washington City—

"Capital would be promptly furnished, and vigorous measures taken to complete the road connecting Cleveland, via Youngstown, with Pittsburgh, and thus furnishing to members of Congress and all parties visiting the capital of the United States, a line from Cleveland, and the whole region of the Lakes and Northwest, eighty-four miles shorter than any existing line."

This language is a little ambiguous, but the casual (if not a close) reader would infer that it was left for the two eminent gentlemen above named, to come into our great State to construct these direct lines, in order to accomplish the great result of "furnishing to members of Congress and all other parties visiting the capital of the United States, a line from Cleveland and the whole Northwest, eighty-four miles shorter than any existing line."

Now, Mr. Editor, the fact seems not to have been known to these very intelligent gentlemen that the great purpose, which they intend to accomplish at some future day, is now being done unostentatiously, without speech making, or the use of foreign capital, or foreign contractors and engineers, by humble people here at home. A continuous rail line is nearly complete from Pittsburgh, on the shortest, best, only natural route (following the valleys) to Youngstown, Ohio, and thence by the Mahoning road to Cleveland. The whole of the unfinished portion was put under contract this year, and by the coming month the locomotive will traverse the whole distance between Pittsburgh and Cleveland, (excepting an interval of about six miles just above Lowell, in Mahoning county, Ohio.) By the time the echo of the high-sounding speeches of distinguished railway orators passes away, we shall have the whole of this short line (123 miles) between Pittsburgh and Cleveland, finished and at work.

After this is done, we hope the President of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, if in any, and Sir Morton Peto will unite to C[illegible] road, which has been hermetically sealed for the past six years.

WM MCCREERY,
Director of Lawrence R. R. Co.

City Sewerage.

We inadvertently omitted to mention in our report of the Council meeting in yesterday morning's paper, a resolution offered by Mr. King, in regard to a thorough system of sewerage throughout the city, which was read three times and passed. The Common Council have been vainly endeavoring for the past four or five months to obtain the passage of an ordinance which would give to the city a complete system of sewerage, but every attempt has been killed in the Select Council, or as it is facetiously called, the House of Lords. Why the members of the Select Council should be opposed to sewerage we cannot understand. There is everything in its favor, and not a single argument can be brought against it. Property is certainly more valuable that can be drained by a sewer, and when the question of health and cleanliness is brought into consideration, no sane man should for a moment hesitate in favor of sewers. We remember that this same branch of Councils can ridicule upon the action of the meeting to take into consideration the sanitary condition of the city, and we do not therefore wonder so much at their action in this case. We think however, that a better judgment will be brought to bear, and that we shall yet be supplied with good and sufficient sewers.

The Late Locomotive Explosion.

On the 21st ult., Locomotive 339, of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company exploded at Torrens station, in Collins township, in this county, by which six men were injured. William Gettam, engineer, died from the effects of injuries received on the day of the explosion. A coroner's jury empanelled on the same day, after a full investigation of the facts, rendered a verdict that the death of the engineer named, was caused by the explosion of the locomotive referred to above, by over pressure of steam.

Lewis Parks, aged 17 years, fireman on the same locomotive, injured at the time of the explosion, died from the effects of the injuries so received, on Friday, between 10 and 11 a. m. Coroner Clawson, being notified, proceeded to Torrens station and held an inquest on Friday afternoon, and the jury rendered a verdict in accordance with the facts, as follows: "That Lewis Parks, in the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, as fireman, died on the 29th inst., from the effects of injuries received by the explosion of Locomotive 239 of the P. C. R. R., on the 21st of December, 1865, at Torrens' Station, in Collins township, in Allegheny county."

The Railroad Company took charge of the remains, interred them decently and had them properly forwarded to [illegible].

The "Analysis" Case.

Since the decision of the analysis in regard to the payment of the fees of Dr. W[illegible] analyzing the remains of Mrs. Chambers, who have refusing to pay a bill, which, from the information we have been able to obtain in regard to the matter, is an extremely low one, it appears to be impossible to obtain a chemist who will undertake an analysis of the remains of Mr. Nevin, who it is alleged was poisoned by his wife. Mrs. Nevin is the meantime is confined in jail. The coroner is doing everything in his power to have the remains analyzed, but thus far he has been unsuccessful. A day or two since, he addressed a letter to Mr. Samuel Jones of Canonsburg in regard to the matter, and yesterday received the following reply:

CANONSBURG, December 28, 1865.

WM. CLAWSON, ESQ—DEAR SIR: We do not pursue the study of Chemical Analysis at our College, but content ourselves to ordinary manipulations.

It will not be in our power, therefore, to undertake the work you order.

Respectfully yours,
SAMUEL JONES.

Coroner's Inquests.

Coroner Clawson last night continued the inquest, adjourned from Saturday last, in the McCabe homicide case. After a careful investigation of the matter, the jury returned a verdict that "William McCabe came to his death from a pistol shot at the hands of one Joseph Keener, and that one Andrew Busha was present, aiding, assisting and abetting the said Joseph Keener in the felonious killing of the said William McCabe."

The Coroner also held an inquest yesterday on the body of Lewis Parks, one of the victims of the late railroad catastrophe at Torrens Station. The jury in this case returned a verdict that "Lewis Parks came to his death on December 29th at Torrens Station on the Pennsylvania Railroad in Allegheny county by the explosion of engine No. 239 at the station aforesaid, on December 21st, 1865;" and the jury are further of the opinion that the explosion was caused by an overpressure of steam.

The Brewery Accident.—The only additional information that we have been able to gather in regard to the brewery accident is that it must have given way first in the centre of the building. A teamster who was in the alley at the time unloading a wagon filled with grain, says that he first heard a noise like the building like the cracking of timbers, and immediately afterwards, upon looking up, he saw the wall falling. It is a very fortunate thing that he was able to make his escape. The portion of the building that fell was well stayed with iron columns, as was all the rest of the building, and the cause of the fall is still enveloped in mystery. The debris is being rapidly removed, and the cause may be ascertained after the wreck has been cleared away.

Nominations.—The following are the nominations made by the Union Republican party of the 5th ward:

Select Council—Charles H. Armstrong.
Common Council—David McClelland, W. O. Davis, Thomas W. Welsh.
School Directors—James M. Snyder, 3 years, Jacob Fleer, 3 years, James Reyburn, 3 years.
Alderman—James Irwin.
Constable—George Burkhart.
Judge of Election—Samuel D. Hill.
Inspector—Thomas D. Gillespie.
Return Inspector—William [illegible].
Assessor—James McClure.

Dead.—Mrs. Dorothea Smith, who was sentenced a short time since to imprisonment in the jail for shoplifting, died of typhoid fever at Mercy Hospital on Thursday morning. Confined in the same cell with her in jail, was a young girl named Mary Maloney, who is now seriously ill with the same disease, but an order has been issued by court granting her removal, and she will be taken out as soon as it can be done safely.

Allegheny Temperance League.—The Allegheny Temperance League has come to the determination not to support any one of the candidates for municipal office unless he is an avowed friend of the cause of temperance. This is a good movement, and we hope the same influence may be brought to bear on all elections.

James Graham.—James, *alias* "Rosin" Graham, of Allegheny City, escaped from the Wheeling jail on Tuesday night last. The jail was being used temporarily as a penitentiary, and Graham was serving out a sentence of five years for robbing Adam Blum, of Wheeling, of $1,300. Three months of his time had expired.

Union Park.

We understand that the building of the Union Skating Park is now complete, and furnished in readiness for the patrons of the grounds. A skate room has been fitted up, where skates of all sizes and descriptions will be kept constantly on hand for hire. Opposite this room is an apartment where gentlemen can leave their overcoats, and have them checked. The ladies department has been arranged in the most fashionable manner, and everything that could be devised, has been done for their comfort. The old ice has all been cut out of the Park and thrown over the fence. The company have bought a new planer in the east, and every night after the skaters have left the park, the ice will be planed down so as to present a smooth surface. Twenty four very fine kerosene reflectors have been purchased, and will be arranged so as to throw a genial light over the entire surface of the ice. Unless it should be very cold weather the park will not be open for visitors until Monday.

The Pittsburgh Leader.

We have received the first number of volume 3d of the Pittsburgh *Leader*. It comes to us much improved in every respect. The form is octavo. A beautiful heading illuminates the first page, the design being a view of Pittsburgh as seen from Mount Washington, over which, in the shape of a bow are the words, in German text, "The Pittsburgh Leader." This number is well filled with literary and news matter, poetry, &c. It presents a very neat appearance, and is fully equal in merit to any literary paper obtained from the East. It is a desirable fireside companion, and our citizens should patronize the enterprise liberally. Subscriptions will be received and specimen numbers can be obtained at Jno. W. Pittock's, opposite the Post Office.

Soldiers' League.

At a meeting of the Western Pennsylvania Soldiers' [illegible] League held in the hall of the Firemen's Association last evening, the following officers were elected for the ensuing term:

President—Gen. J. B. Sweitzer.
Vice President—Gen. A. L. Pearson.
Secretary—Charles F. McKenna.
Assistant Secretary—W. M. Hartzell.
Treasurer—John H. Kerr.
Trustees—Gen. G. S. Gallupe, Col. R. Anderson and Philip Hoerr.
Committee on Membership—Gen. C. Barnes and Captains R. Pollock and L. Hazar.

A vote of thanks was awarded to the Firemens' Association for generously allowing the use of their hall for the meetings of the League.

The meeting adjourned to meet again at the same place on Friday evening next.

Amusements.

THEATRE.—To-night closes the very successful engagement of Madame Celeste, upon which occasion she appears in Buckstone's beautiful drama of "Flowers of the Forest."

OPERA HOUSE.—The beautiful play of "Aline, the Pride of Killarney," will be repeated at the Opera House to-night. Mr. George C. Davenport sustains the principal character.

ZANFRETTA.—To-night is the last night of the Zanfretta pantomime troupe. Alexander Zanfretta is an entire company of himself.

HUTCHINSON FAMILY.—The celebrated Hutchinson Family give one concert at Lafayette Hall, on Tuesday night.

Christian Advocate.—The *Christian Advocate*, for 1866, commences its thirty third volume with the incoming year. It is the organ of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and is devoted to the interests of Christian Religion. Its columns are enriched with correspondence from all parts of the world, and "with such current events and facts as genius and patient toil may cull from the passing present." It is edited by Rev. S. H. Nesbit, to whom all letters must be addressed.

Arrested.—Andrew Busha, one of the parties charged with the murder of William McCabe of the Seventh ward, was arrested on Thursday evening, by officer Sarber of Ald. Butler's police, and placed in confinement.

From Yesterday's Evening Gazette

Library Lectures.

Miss Dickinson delivered her second lecture before the Mercantile Library Association in Lafayette Hall on Thursday evening. Subject, "Flood Tide." The Hall was densely crowded by our most substantial and appreciative citizens. Such an audience would have inspired any one accustomed to public speaking. Miss Dickinson caught the inspiration, and became intensely animated. This is the flood tide of the nation's [illegible]. We have been carried by the [illegible] of victory over the [illegible] reefs and dangerous rocks. If we allow the tide to ebb without securing what we have gained, and making it the stepping stone to higher attainments, we [illegible]

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George Vandenhoff, Esq., will give two readings before the Library Association early in January and Rev. Henry Ward Beecher will deliver two lectures early in February.

Alderman Taylor's Court.

Alderman Taylor has had almost as busy a time this morning and yesterday evening as the Court of Quarter Sessions. The first we find upon the list was the case of Elizabeth Davis, who, to use the language of Sarah Gillespie, the prosecutrix, came to her house and used very insulting and abusive language, shaking her fist in a menacing manner, and refused to leave the premises when ordered to do so. A warrant was issued for the arrest of the gentle Elizabeth.

William Taylor made oath that a certain Thomas Eads attacked him, drew a tumbler and struck at him with it, and generally and promiscuously acted in a disorderly manner. Wherefore he prayed his arrest, which prayer was granted, and the pugnacious Eads was held to bail.

William Taylor again makes his appearance upon the stage of litigation and makes oath that the aforesaid Eads obtained from him on a pair of boots—an indispensible article to many in cold muddy weather—the boots being of the value of $6 00, the same being for the use of his mother. He represented that he followed the honorable occupation of a farmer, and was the owner of the ground he tilled, which the deponent believes to be—not so. He also believes that the representations were made for the purpose of obtaining the pedal extremity coverings by fraud. He therefore prayed for his arrest, which prayer was granted, and the defendant held to bail.

Wm. Taylor again makes oath that the aforesaid Eads struck him with a shoemaker's hammer, inflicting a severe wound upon defendant's head. For this striking mark of affection, Eads was also requested to make the acquaintance of the District Attorney.

It is alleged that Andrew Wolf obtained from Jacob Maisel beef, hogs and sheep to the value of $91,86 by representing that he had money due him from other parties to pay the debt. This did not appear to be the case, according to the views of Mr. Maisel, and Andrew was requested by Officer Bell to come forward and make an explanation, which he did by paying a portion of the money, and settling the balance in a manner satisfactory to the parties concerned. Court then adjourned.

Singular Death of Two Brothers.

On Thursday of last week an accident occurred on the Oil Creek Railroad, near Hydetown, by which an old resident named Peter Titus was killed. He was on his way to visit his brother, Mr. James Titus, who was lying in a dying condition, and was within a few rods of his residence when struck. James died the succeeding day, and both were buried on Saturday at Hydetown. "Thus," says a correspondent, "passes away together two of the old pioneers and early settlers of this country who have lived to see a dense and inaccessible wilderness become, as it were, a scattered city and peopled with thousands. Their respective ages were Peter Titus, 75 years; James Titus, 80 years."

The Third Anniversary of the Proclamation of Emancipation will be celebrated with appropriate services, in the Plymouth Congregational Church, Hand street, on Monday evening, January 1st, 1866. Rev. Henry D. Moore, will repeat, by request, his discourse on "The Moral Grandeur of the Proclamation of Emancipation." Appropriate anthems will be sung by the Choir. The "Battle Hymns of the Republic," will also be sung, the congregation joining in the "Glory Hallelujah" chorus. The patriotic ladies of the congregation will tastefully display the American Flag on the occasion. Services to commence at 7½ o'clock.

The Allegheny Mayoralty.—The contest for the Allegheny Mayoralty is quite exciting, and the prospects are that there will be a vigorous contest between the candidates. The primary meeting takes place to-morrow afternoon.

An Intolerable Nuisance.

The street car [illegible] who are in the habit of riding in the street cars, who have not felt at some time or other the inconvenience, a serious inconvenience from the manner in which the track is obstructed by wagons, drays and other vehicles. There are many drivers who will turn out, and let the car pass, as soon as they hear the car driver's whistle, and there are some who will even stretch a point, and not wait for the whistle, but will leave the track if possible as soon as they see the car approaching, but there are a dirty set of bullies, who take pleasure in annoying the car driver, and passengers, by not only keeping on the track and driving slowly, but by making use of the most profane and obscene language, insulting alike to the driver and those in the car. We have on several occasions heard these fellows tell the car driver to go to—a place too hot for skating parks, or else make use of the most vile obscenity, only for being asked to clear the track in order that the car might proceed. Such boors would be treated in a summary manner in any of the eastern cities, and they would learn a lesson that would prevent them from offending in the same manner twice. We call upon the police to look into this matter, and where men act in an abusive and insulting manner, to arrest them immediately. The street cars are a public institution, for the benefit of the people at large, and they demand adequate protection.

The Late Fire at Shaffer.

A correspondent writing from Shaffer in reference to the destructive fire on Christmas day, says: The principal buildings destroyed were the Ocean House, the Persons House, Buffalo House, Brown & Van Valkenburg's restaurant, Newman's grocery store, Terry & Bear's grocery, Walsh & Heald's eating saloon, Union Hotel, Nathan's clothing store, Warren's clothing store, Shaff(?) House, Harrison & Lowe's clothing store, besides smaller places, barns, stables, etc. The loss is estimated at high as $100,000, on which there is not more than $20,000 insurance. The Cady House alone is left of the hotels. Many women and children find an asylum there, while many more were sent to Petroleum Centre and Miller Farm. To the disgrace of our village be it said, more than half crazed rather inclined to guzzle whisky than to assist in extinguishing the fire. It was not long before the streets were filled with intoxicated men, whose yells and oaths with one on their added to the terror and excitement which pervaded the entire community. Women and children were flying hither and thither distracted, screaming and calling for protection, which no one could give. Those of the men who were sober, and there were many, worked like tigers to preserve the buildings and property, and of their exertions alone it is owing that there remains a tenement and(?) [illegible] in Shaffer.

Soldiers' Union League.

There will be a meeting of the Western Pennsylvania Soldiers' Union League, this evening, in the Hall of the Firemen's Association in the Pittsburgh market house. For the benefit of those wishing to attend, we would state, that the entrance to the hall is by the stairs on the north-east corner of the lower building. The League has already organized by adopting a Constitution and By-laws, and putting in nomination officers for the next semi-annual term. The principal business this evening will be the admission of members and election of officers. The objects of the League are set forth in the Constitution, and commend themselves to the judgment of all honorably discharged soldiers, and indeed to the community at large. The Constitution provides that the organization cannot be dissolved while ten members are willing to continue it, so that the League bids fair to be the source of pleasant reunions to Pennsylvania soldiers for at least half a century to come. Those wishing to join will call at the office of Pollock and Childs, No. 107, Fifth street, or attend the meeting this evening.

Fire in Allegheny.

About two o'clock this morning, a frame tenement occupied by John Graham, located on Robinson street, near Sandusky, Fourth Ward, Allegheny, was discovered to be on fire. Graham, his mother and family, were in bed, and were aroused by smoke issuing from the rear of the building, where a load of hay had been stored. The Columbia Engine Company was promptly on the ground, and succeeded, by the aid of the other organizations of our sister city, in extinguishing the flames, not however, until the building was completely gutted. Mr. Graham's loss will amount to about three hundred dollars, while Mrs. Sawyer, of Manchester, who is the owner of the building, suffered to an equal amount. There was no insurance on the property, and the fire was doubtless the work of an incendiary. [illegible] years and seven months in the army, and the loss falls severely upon him.

Amputation.—On Wednesday, the 27th inst., Drs. Wilson and McKennan, of Washington, Pa., amputated the left arm of Mrs. M. A. Munce, wife of [illegible] Munce, of South Strabane township. Mrs. M. had been suffering for some time with a disease something like cancer [illegible]

Suspicious.—[illegible]

Married.—George Adair, Townsend, who lectured before the Allegheny Library Association in the [illegible] inst, was married at St. Philip's Protestant Episcopal Church in Pa[illegible] on Tuesday last, to a young lady of that city. [illegible] from several leading cities were present, and many rich presents were received by the happy couple.

New York Weeklies.—Messrs John P. Hunt & Co., Masonic Hall, Fifth street, have just received their usual full supply of New York weeklies, to wit:

The Independent; Weekly Herald; Weekly Tribune; Chimney Corner; Round Table; Nation; Harper's Weekly; New York Weekly, Police Gazette.

"Dr. Merrigold's Prescriptions" is the title of Dickens' Christmas Story, this year. Like several of his preceding Christmas stories, it is a series of tales, strung together with a thread of narrative, prefaced with an introduction in the happiest vein of the author. For sale by W. A. Gildenfenney, No. 45, Fifth St.

Committed.—Thomas Eads, whose arrest is noticed in another place for assault and battery and for obtaining goods by fraud, failing to obtain the requisite bail, was committed to jail this afternoon.

Allegheny Lock-up.—There was but a single case before Mayor Morrison this morning, [illegible] the payment of the usual fine the prisoner was discharged.

The Hempfield Railroad.—There is some discussion now on the subject of the completion of the Hempfield Railroad to Greensburg.

John G. Saxe is announced to deliver his lecture on "Love," in the Court House at Washington, this evening.

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TO CONTRACTORS.—Proposals will be received until SATURDAY, December 30th, at 7 o'clock P. M., by the Committee on City Property, for the erection of a STABLE on the rear end of the Relief Steam Fire Engine Company's lot, on Pennsylvania Avenue. Plans and specifications can be seen at the office of J. Y. McLaughlin, No. 325 Liberty street, Pittsburgh.

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FINANCE AND TRADE.

BROKERS AND BANKERS BONDS

(CORRECTED BY ROBINSON, M'CLEAN & CO.)

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE, FRIDAY, Dec. 29, 1865.

	Offered.	Asked.
U. S. 6's 1881	107 00	—
U. S. 5-20's, old	102 50	—
U. S. 7-30's	97 50	—
U. S. 10-40's	91 00	—
U. S. Certificates	97 75	—
Gold	144 50	—
Allegheny City 5's	—	97 75
Connellsville 6's	90 00	—
Allegheny Valley R. R. 7's	—	10 50
Boatmen's Insurance	—	50
Western Ins.	—	50 00
Monongahela Insurance	—	4 00
Connellsville R. R. Stock	9 75	—
Connellsville R. R. Bond-interest	9 50	—
Citizens Bank	—	57 00
Exchange Nat. Bank	61 00	—
Fourth Nat Bank	—	115 00
M. & M. National Bank	60 00	—
Columbia Oil	—	25 00
Cherry Run Central	—	—

SALES.

$1500 U. S. 7-30's 97 50

Money has been growing more abundant day by day the past week in New York, while commercial paper is yet dull at 7@10 for first-class names. Call loans are largely made at 6 per cent. The stock market is more animated, and a small advance has been made throughout the list. Railroad shares are especially active. Governments are firm and steady. Gold has moved up to 145½ but brokers were generally buying at about 144. United States Bonds, Five Twenties selling at 103½; Seven Thirties, 1st series at 99 and and 1st 98¼.

Bank shares in demand. Citizens 58½ bid, 59½ asked, no sales made yesterday. Merchants 61 [illegible] asked. We noticed a sale of M & M 60 yesterday, it should be 60. Exchange, held at 65, 58½ bid.

Nothing new to report in oil shares. Columbia is held at 25@25¼. Buyers are trying to crowd down the price a little lower. 55c was bid for Philadelphia, Lancaster & Cherry Run—the stock is either scarce in this market, or holders are sanguine of getting far better prices.

There is no perceptible change in the money market. There is but little else doing besides preparation for January payments. These over we look for livelier times.

—The committee on Judiciary in the South Carolina Legislature has made a report recommending the remission of the penalties and forfeitures imposed upon the banks of that State for not making payment of their notes in current coin, and for failure to make returns of their state and condition, and repealing the heretofore provisions on this subject, declaring the shareholders of the various banks of the State liable in case of the failure of such banks. It is justified by the condition in which the banks have been placed in consequence of the great losses to which they have been subjected by the overthrow of the late Rebellion, and the universal ruin which has been the result of Secession.

—The New York *Journal of Commerce*, discourses as follows in reference to a resumption of specie payments:

"Those who are urging a resumption of specie payments, and those writers who treat the public almost daily to a repetition of the assertion that there is nothing in the way of this desirable consummation, should ponder the figures here presented of the rapidly swelling volume of paper money and the steady shrinkage of coin in the possession of the parties liable on paper. If those who are clamoring for immediate resumption would look the plainest facts in the face, they would find abundant cause for thought and less margin for flippant paragraphs. Independent of the vast and growing disparity between the paper representative and the coin substantive there is this other difficulty; the funding of the immense unfunded debt of the nation that is in the way. If this idea is too great, let the undertakers in that relation suggest a practical method of providing for the floating debt, the mere temporary liabilities of the Treasury, and at the same time make an immediate resumption of specie payments." The *Journal* is the well known [illegible] advocate of the hard money system, and is opposed to paper in any inflation with all its might, at the time when the new [illegible] to its faith were clamorous for excess [illegible]

[illegible]

Since Jan. 1 .... 160,324,807 | 212,680,025 | 179,750,594

	1865.	1864.	1863.
For the week	$3,414,351	$1,019,706	$3,076,073
Prev. reported	156,900,456	211,060,319	176,681,521
Since Jan. 1	160,324,807	212,080,025	179,750,594

The exports of domestic produce for the week include 333 lbs beeswax, 14,850 bbls wheat flour, 1050 bbls corn meal, 29,560 bush wheat, 10,010 bush oats, 1275 bush peas, 148,253 bush corn, 973 pkgs candles, 6 tons coal, 3576 bales cotton, 410 bales hay, 1 bale hops, 1083 bbls rosin, 13,685 galls sperm oil, 41 galls linseed oil, 682 galls lard oil, 1621 bbls pork, 818 bbls and 929 tcs beef, 36,283 lbs cut meats, 87,791 lbs. butter, 597,017 lbs cheese, 165,508 pounds lard, 162 bbls rice, 100,000 lbs tallow, 1220 hhds and 431 other pks crude tobacco, 121,138 lbs manufactured do, 16,464 lbs whalebone, 346,313 gallons petroleum.

—The Boston *Advertiser*, of Thursday, says:

The general condition of the money market is rather easier, and borrowers in good credit finds less difficulty in supplying their wants. The demand is, however sufficiently active to absorb all idle balances, and rates are still sustained. Loans payable strictly on call are accessible at 6 per cent to borrowers of undoubted standing, and are readily obtainable at 7 a 10 on good collaterals. Merchantile paper continues in good request at 8 per cent for the first quality, and good names are taken at about 9 per cent. Inferior grades move heavily at from 10 to 15 per cent.

Mining shares were in good request, and prices were pretty well up to previous quotations, although in some instances there was a slight falling off from the rapid advance of the last few days. An improvement is however observed in other cases. We note the following variations as compared with previous sales—Bay State advanced ½; Franklin ½; Hancock ¼; Copper Falls declined ½, Minnesota ½, and Pewabic ¼.

Milwaukee Markets.

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 28—Mess pork, $26.50@27. Cumberland cut middles, 15½c; prime lard, 17½c; market advancing with no buyers. Freight to New York, per 100 lbs, 80c. Dressed Hogs, per 100 lbs, net, 10¼c. Receipts of hogs to-day, 1200. No. 1 spring wheat, in store, subject to 4c per bushel storage to 20th April next, $1.20½; No. 2 do in store, $1,17; extra spring wheat flour, $7; double extra spring wheat flour, $7,75; double extra white wheat flour, $10. Freight on flour to New York, $1 00.

IMPORTS BY RAILROAD.

PITTSBURGH, FORT WAYNE & CHICAGO R. R. Dec. 29—100 bbls flour, Keil & Ritchart; 500 pigs lead, McKee & Bro; 14 bxs cheese, Lambert & Shipton; 6 dressed hogs, 120 bags wheat, 192 sacks barley, H Rea; 1 car wheat, Liggett & co; 151 bags wheat, Kerr & Emery; 2 bbls beans, 1 do eggs, 1 keg lard, Voigt & co; 16 pkgs produce, T & S B McMillan; 121 bbls carbon oil, G Berringer; 275 bags mill feed, Jas Glenn; 5 doz tubs, S Ewart & co; 2 bxs hatchets, Whitmore, Wolfe & co; 20 sks cloverseed, Sturgeon & Bro; 85 cars metal, Jas Wood & Son; 160 bbls flour T C Jenkins; 102 hides, 15 tcs beef, Cook, Bro & co; 2 cars mill feed, J & W Fawley; 3 bxs broom corn, E H Mathews; 7 rolls leather, W S Wallace; 21 sks scraps, Fleccus & Sons; 2 bbls butter, J Coblenz; 24 dozen brooms, W H Kirkpatrick & Bro, 12 pkgs rags, McCullough, Smith & co.

CLEVELAND AND PITTSBURGH RAILROAD,—Dec. 29—2 dressed hogs, McCulloch, Smith & co; 5 bbls oil, S B Floyd; 1 pkg tobacco, Guckenheimer & Bro, 101 sks oats, T C Jenkins, 39 bbls oil, G B Jones, 400 bgs barley, Spencer & McKay; 147 sks corn, Hitchcock, McCreery & co; 1 car lumber, J & A Hays; 7 cars metal, Nimick & co; 10 bdls broom handles, E Heazelton; 4 pkgs tobacco, G Ludwig; 1 do do, J Grazier; 4 cars blooms, J Moorhead; 100 bbls flour, H Rea; 100 do do, Graham & Thomas.

ALLEGHENY STATION, December 29.—2 cars wheat, Simpson & Knox, 1 car lumber, Jas McBriar; 16 bbls apples, 14 bbls eggs, John Herbert; 62 bales tow, A E Childs; 2 cars lumber, C C Boyle; 1 car wheat, Kennedy & Bro, 1 car hogs, E H Myers & co; 21 bales hops, Lutz & Waltz; 13 sks seed, Kirkpatrick & Bro, 50 bbls cider, Shulz, Son & co, 1 car staves, J M Hemphill; 20 bbls flour, 116 bags do, Stewart & Langham; 18 bbls apples, 5 do eggs, M Vail; 78 bags oats, G & J Stewart; 2 cars lumber, J B Ingham.

PITTSBURGH, COLUMBUS & CINCINNATI R. R. Dec. 29—160 bbls flour, Shomaker & Lang; 300 do do, Jas Gardiner; 71 sks corn, Keil & Ritchart; 46 hides, A Holsteine; 17 sks barley, Sturgeon & Bro, 5 kegs lard, F Illig, 5 pkgs hardward, Whitmore, Wolfe & Duff.

PITTSBURGH MARKETS.

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE, FRIDAY, December 29, 1865.

There appears to be a little firmer feeling [illegible] in the general markets [illegible] improvement [illegible] in the demand [illegible] with a [illegible] retail character. There is some excitement in Hogs, and the product, both in Cincinnati and Chicago, but packing is going very slowly [illegible] packers are still [illegible] being indifferent about operating [illegible] any rate at the present figures for Hogs. There has been but little, considerable activity in the coal business, and all the "black diamonds" in readiness, have gone already or will get out, the river being in excellent condition for coal boating. The movement of coal has been unusually large this season, and the down river marks must certainly be pretty well supplied. In produce there is but little doing, and there are no new features worthy of special notice.

GRAIN—Wheat quiet and unchanged, there were some transactions a few, but we are without particulars. Oats may be quoted at 44@45 on track, and 46@48 for small lots from store. Barley is dull and very irregular. Corn—selling at from 70 to 75, for Ear and Shelled. Rye in demand at 85@90.

FLOUR—There is a slight improvement to note in the demand for Flour, but prices have undergone no change. Sales of 500 bbls at $9@9.50 for Spring Wheat Family, and $10@10.25@10.50 for common to choice Winter Wheat brands. Buckwheat is quoted at $5 to $6 per cwt.

PROVISIONS—There is a little more doing in the Provision market, but there is little or nothing doing, and as a consequence no established quotations. We can report some few small sales of sugar cured Hams at 25, Lard at 23@25, and Dried Beef at 25. No movement in Bulk Meats.

POTATOES—Demand fair and market steady with regular sales from store at 85@90c per bushel, and $2@2.50 per barrel, according to quality.

BUTTER—In demand and good to prime fresh Roll sells readily at 40@45. Prime is quoted at 40.

EGGS—May be quoted at 40 cts per dozen in pickle, and 35@37 for fresh packed.

CHEESE—Is steady, with receipts and sales of Hamburg at 21, and Goshen at 22.

[illegible]

MILL FEED—Sale of 10 tons [illegible] at [illegible]

[illegible]

APPLES—In fair demand and steady at $4 [illegible] per bbl, according to quality.

CORN MEAL—Is quiet but steady at [illegible]

HOMINY—Sales at 6@6½.

HAY—Is quiet and unchanged; sales at $20 to $22 per ton.

SORGHUM—Is selling at 85@95 per gal.

SALT—Sales from store at $3.10@3.25.

PITTSBURGH PETROLEUM MARKET

OFFICE OF THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE, FRIDAY, Dec. 29, 1865.

There is no improvement to note in the general tone of the Petroleum market, and there seems to be a regular stand off between buyers and sellers. The former are still holding off in expectation that there will be large arrivals within the next few days, and that a lower range of prices will inevitably ensue, while the latter, although anxious to realize, appear unwilling to make concessions.

There is no disguising the fact, however, that the market is a little dull, and as compared with last week, prices are a shade lower, and we now quote at 28@29, bbls returned, and 33@34 bbls included. Sales of 120 bbls at 33; 110 do do at 31; and 25 bbls, (heavy gravity) at 37.

REFINED—The market for bonded oil is very quiet and dull, and, while there seems to be no demand, there is little or none offering, and there is no stock, comparatively speaking, in first hands. We continue to quote, in the absence of sales, at 58@60 free on board cars here, and 67@68 delivered in Philadelphia. Free Oil is selling in small lots at 73@75, for prime standard brands.

NAPTHA AND RESIDUUM—Remain quiet and dull with a drooping tendency. Sales of 50 bbls Naptha, free, at 42; 100 bbls Residuum at $5.25 per bbl; also, 60 bbls Gasoline at 22; 50 bbls "A" "Eureka" Lubricating at $9,25; and 50 bbls "B" do at 75.

RECEIPTS—But one arrival to report to-day, 900 bbls for Fisher & Bro. We may look for heavy arrivals within the next few days.

NEW YORK PETROLEUM MARKET.

Special Dispatch to Western Press.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29, 1865.

Petroleum Stocks are quiet with sales at the following rates: Bennehoff Run, 16,00; Bradley, 54; Central, 41,25; Empire City, 45; Excelsior, 25; Ham McClintock, 60 00; Caseanto, 43; Oil Creek 1,75, Pithole Creek, 12,40; Webster, 85; Heydrick, 55; Buchanan Farm, 71, Rynd Farm 63.

PETROLEUM STOCKS IN NEW YORK.

Special Dispatch to Western Press.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29, 1865.

PETROLEUM—The market is very dull at 61½@62 for Refined in Bond and 40@40½ for Crude. Only small sales are making to supply the immediate demand.

CHICAGO MARKET.

Special Dispatch to the Pittsburgh Gazette.

CHICAGO, December 29, 1865.

FLOUR—Quiet and firm at $6.25@7.50 for spring. GRAIN—Extra No. 1 spring Wheat, closed [illegible] lower; sales at $1.25 [illegible]. No. 2 spring is active and a letter, sales at [illegible]. Corn dull and lower at [illegible] for No. 1. Oats quiet and [illegible] for No. 1 and [illegible] for No. 2 [illegible]

WHISKY—Dull and lower; sales at $2 [illegible]

PROVISIONS—Dull and weaker, owing to the [illegible] Mess Pork [illegible] Sweet pickled hams inactive at [illegible] Green hams sold at 15½, [illegible] Lard active at [illegible] Dressed hogs declined [illegible] sales at [illegible] closing dull at [illegible] Live hogs—received, [illegible] The market opened active and [illegible] but broke in the afternoon and declined [illegible] sales at [illegible]

Money matters unchanged. Gold 144¾.

CINCINNATI MARKET.

Special Dispatch to the Pittsburgh Gazette.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 29, 1865.

Provisions—Active, mess Pork advanced 75c; sales of 2000 bbls at $29 and 800 bbls at $29.50, holders asking $30 at the close. Bulk meats dull but firm. Bacon in good demand, sales of shoulders at 15½c, rib sides 17c; clear sides 20c, packed sugar cured hams 22c. Green meats active and higher, sales of shoulders at 10c; sides 13c; hams 17c. Lard active and higher; sales of 200 tierces at 18½c, held at 19c.

Hogs—Active and 25c higher; sales at $12 net. Receipts 3,600 head, at the close held at $12,25.

Finance and Trade in New York.

NEW YORK, December 29.—The stock market this morning was more active, the opening [illegible] by a stronger feeling in the Railroad and miscellaneous stocks, but no important speculative movement. New York Central was attacked smartly by bears. Erie was strong helped by liberal purchases of cash stock. The larger proportion of transactions at bond, were on time; buyers options and sellers about balancing each other. The market was generally steady at second regular and last open boards with upward tendency in Erie and Rock Island. The following were the closing prices at 4:30 p. m: New York Central, 93½; Erie, 93½; Hudson River, 106¼; Reading, 109; Michigan Southern, 74½; Cleveland and Pittsburgh, [illegible]; Rock Island, 108; Chicago and Northwestern, 28¼.

The ease in Money is great as ever, and offerings largely exceed the demand. Brokers and bankers have large balances left over, which can not be loaned at 6 per cent. Gold is inactive. The news of the favorable reception of the President's message in London had the effect of putting down the premium ¼@¼, and the market closed at 144¼. Some parties have sold fully under the impression that 5-20s will continue to advance in London. The price of all 5-20s advanced ½c here upon the receipt of the Australian's news. Some foreign bankers were sellers during the morning and others buyers.

Private advices by the Australian are better for Governments than the published accounts, and Five-Twenties are quoted at 65@65¼. This had a very buoyant effect upon the whole Government list, and a sharp advance took place at the close. The 5-20s were in demand for shipment and rose to 103@103¼, but the small supply restricted business. Five-Twenty coupons of 1881 and '65 sold at 102, 7-30 notes were strong at 98¼@99 for the first [illegible] 99¾ for the other series.

The cotton market this afternoon responded to the news from Europe, and there was an advance of 1@2c.

New York Dry Goods Market.

NEW YORK, Dec 29.—The following are the quotations from the Dry Goods Exchange: Brown Sheetings—Appleton, 32½c, Howard, A, 30c; Pittsfield, A, 27; Bedford, 26c. Bleached Sheetings—Bates, B B, 37½c; Reynolds, A A, 32½c, Columbia, A, 27½c. Prints—Sprague's, 26½c; Allen, 24c. Delaines—Pacific 29c; Amures, 31c. Ginghams—Lancaster, 30c Glasgow, 29½c. Brown Drills—Pepperill, 35c. Corset Jeans—Laconia, 37½c; New Market, 32½c. Canton Flannels—Hamilton, 58c; Laconia, 42½c. Ticks—Amoskeag, A C A, 82c. Denims—Hokwaight Blue, 43c; do Brown, 40c. Spool Cotton—Coates', $1.10; Willimantic, 94c; Green & Daniels, 86c. Hoop Skirts—Mjo(?) 1 X L, 1½ inch tapes, 20 to 40 hoops, 55 to 75c; 3 inch do do, 70c to $1,10; in good demand.

The following dispatches have been received at the Dry Goods Exchange to-day:

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 29.—Market firm but quiet, and dealers generally taking stock.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 29.—There is nothing doing to-day.

BOSTON, Dec. 29.—The market is strong and moderately active, with no accumulation of goods.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 29.—Market unchanged since yesterday.

New York Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—Cotton more active and firmer at 53c for Middling.

FLOUR—Less active and without decided change at $8.45@8.60 for extra State; $8,85@9,15 for extra round hoop Ohio and $9.25@10,50 for trade brands, the market closing quiet.

WHISKY—Dull and nominal at $2,27@2,28.

GRAIN—Quiet and very firm at $1,90 for good old Milwaukee club; $1.91½@1,94 for new Amber Milwaukee. Rye quiet. Barley quiet at $1. Barley Malt dull. Corn quiet without decided change at 96@94½c for unsound and 95@96½c for sound mixed western. Oats dull and heavy at 49@53c for unsound and 60@62c for sound.

PETROLEUM—Dull, small sales at 40@40½c for Crude; 60@62c for Refined in Bond.

WOOL—Quiet.

PROVISIONS—Pork heavy and lower at $29,25@29 75 for mess, closing at $29.31, for regular; $28 for new prime and $24 00 for prime mess; also 5,255 bbls new mess for January and February at sellers option at $29.50@30,00. Beef quiet and firm at about previous prices; prime mess quiet. Beef hams quiet at $32,50@35. Bacon dull at 15@15½c for Cumberland cut and 16c for short ribbed. Dressed hogs quiet at 12@13½c for western and 13½@13½c for city. Lard firm and quiet. Butter quiet and heavy at 35@30c for Ohio and 37@40c for State. Cheese dull at 13@18½c.

New York Stock and Money Market.

NEW YORK, December 29.—Money easy and abundant at 6 per cent on call loans. Sterling dull at 109@109½.

Gold less active and a shade lower, opening 144½ and closing at 145¼.

Government Securities more active and firmer. Five-Twenties to Liverpool dull and drooping.

STOCKS—Very strong. U. S. Sixes at Coupons, 10[illegible]; do. 5-20 Coupons, 103½; do. '65, 103; [illegible] 10-40 Coupons, 91; Treasury Notes, 7 3-10, 1st series, 98¾, do, 2d series, 98½, New York Central, 93½; Erie, 93½, do. preferred 80; Hudson, 106¼; Reading, 109; Marietta and Cincinnati 1st, preferred, 30; Michigan Southern, 75, Pittsburgh, 84; North Western, preferred, 61; Cleveland North Western, 28¾; Rock Island, 108; Fort Wayne, 106½; Saint Paul, preferred, 70.

New York Sugar Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—The market for Raw Sugar remains extremely dull, the business being still confined to the immediate necessities of consumers. We have again slightly reduced our quotations, but they must still be considered nominal. Fair refining Cuba 11½ cents, Good do 11¾, and Fair to good Grocery 12½@13, 4 mos. Refined too, remains very dull, but is without further change in prices. Messrs Stuart have withdrawn their quotation for the present. The sales of Raw are 114 hhds Cuba (yesterday,) below Fair Refining, at 11 cents; 5 do Grocery 12½@13 Porto Rico yesterday, about Fair Refining, 11½@12 (ex No 11 Havana Saturday 12), 55 do, 11½@13, the lower rate for Molasses Sugar, and 120 bags French Caudlet Beet Root, 13, cash, 4 mos. By auction, 175 bxs Havana damaged sold at 11@12½ cents, cash. The stock yesterday was about [illegible] hhds Melado.

RIVER NEWS.

ARRIVALS.

[illegible] No. [illegible] .... Zanesville
[illegible] .... Barton .... [illegible]
Petrolia .... Crosby .... Oil City
Forest City .... Gordon .... Parkersburg.

DEPARTURES.

Juan San Roman .... Rio Grande.
[illegible] .... Oil City.
[illegible] .... Sweeny .... Oil City.

BOATS LEAVING THIS DAY.

Armenia .... McCallum .... St. Louis.
America .... Golding .... Nashville.
Rover .... Dean .... Nashville.
Kate Putnam .... Maratta .... Louisville.
[illegible] .... Armstrong .... New Orleans.
Julia No. 2 .... Coulson .... Zanesville.
Forest City .... Gordon .... Parkersburg

RIVER, WEATHER, ETC.

The river attained its greatest height yesterday morning at which time there were thirteen feet, eight inches in the channel. It commenced immediately to recede and at dark last night there were twelve feet ten inches in the channel by the marks on the Monongahela bridge. At Oil City there were six feet in the channel, the river was falling, and the weather was cool. Here the weather has turned quite cool, and we think the mercury was below the freezing point all day. It was getting much colder last night. Business at the wharf continues about the same. Freights go down slowly.

The Jose San Roman, a new boat built for the Rio Grande, had steam up last evening and intended to start for her destination. We suppose, that this morning she is on her way towards the "Father of waters."

The Armenia, Capt. McCallum, is the first boat leaving for St. Louis. She is still receiving freight, and will start out as soon as she receives the joyful intelligence that the ice bridge at Saint Louis has gone on its way, taking with it the St. Louis and Illinois City ice bridge plank road.

The America, Capt. Golding, having nearly completed her loading will probably leave to-day on her way to Nashville.

The Kate Putnam, Capt. Maratta, is the packet leaving to-day for Louisville and all intermediate ports.

The Citizen, now commanded by Capt. Smithson, is rapidly filling up with freight for New Orleans, and will leave with dispatch.

The Julia No. 2, Capt. Coulson, is the regular packet leaving to-day for Zanesville.

The Forest City, Capt. Gordon, will be found at the landing this morning. She will leave at four o'clock this afternoon on her return trip to Parkersburg.

A former river reporter of this city, who has retired on the laurels won as a reporter, yesterday perpetrated the following:

"Why is the "Father of Waters" like a deceitful parent?"

"Because his children get sucked in."

The Delaware, Capt. Barton, arrived yesterday from Cincinnati, and is now discharging a load of pig metal opposite the foot of Short street.

The St. Louis *Democrat*, of Thursday, says:

There has been no smash up yet. The ice on the river bore people and light wagons all day. The weather froze greatly Tuesday night. Capt. Dan Musselman, yesterday forenoon, walked from the "last" packet Belle Memphis to the shore, and his finely polished boots were not soiled in the least. But the sun shone warmly, and for a while the wind was from the sound, and the ice became, with slush and water, all but impassable. The river rose slowly, but no rise had last evening reached us from any of the upper rivers.

The Nebraska, Capt. Wm. Meguam, all day ran against the ice, and roundly, last evening, was as far up as Plum street, or a little higher than the lowest sunken boats and the Rosalie. The only objection to this mode of action seems to be, that the ice broken from the main body has no outlet.

We take the following from the Louisville *Courier*, of Wednesday:

COAL GONE SOUTH—HEAVY TOW.—During the present high tide the coal for the South, that had been detained by the low stage of water, was got out and started in tows of the Ajax and Dick Fulton No. [illegible]. The former with 800,000 bushels in tow, the greatest amount of coal that was started in tow of a single tug. She took a raft of 11 boats and eight barges, or eighteen in all, a feat never before attempted. The coal belongs to R. & J. Watson, and is destined for New Orleans.

The Dick Fulton No. [illegible] had eight or nine barges, containing some 180,000 bushels of coal, belonging to W. S. Parker destined for the Lower Miss[illegible] [illegible] in tow of the two boats is 900,000 bushels.

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OFFICE OF THE WOOLDRIDGE OIL REFINING COMPANY No. 2, Duquesne Way, PITTSBURGH, Dec. 26th, 1865.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the Stockholders of this Company will be held at the office of the Company, on TUESDAY, January 9th, 1866, at 2 o'clock, p. m., for the purpose of electing Directors to serve during the ensuing year.

de26 [illegible] HENRY M. LONG, Secretary and Treasurer.

THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE Jones & Nimick Manufacturing Company will please take notice, that the Annual Election for Directors of this Manufacturing Company will be held at the office of said Company, on Diamond street, on SATURDAY, the 30th day of December, at 10 o'clock A. M.

W. W. PATRICK, Treasurer J. & N. M'fg Co.

Pittsburgh, Dec. 16, 1865. de16:td

TRADESMENS' NATIONAL BANK, PITTSBURGH, December 19th, 1865.

AN ELECTION for Nine Directors of this bank, will be held at the Banking House on TUESDAY, January 9th, 1866, between the hours of 11 and 2 o'clock.

de19:2wd GEO. T. VAN DOREN, Cashier.

SECOND NATIONAL BANK OF ALLEGHENY, ALLEGHENY, PA., Dec. 9th, 1865.

AN ANNUAL ELECTION FOR SEVEN DIRECTORS, to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the Banking House, on TUESDAY, January 9th, 1866, between the hours of 11 A. M. and 2 P. M.

de15:td J. N. DAVIDSON, Cashier.

SECOND NATIONAL BANK, Pittsburgh, December 9th, 1865.

AN ELECTION FOR NINE DIRECTORS OF THIS BANK will be held at their Banking House, on TUESDAY, the 9th of January, 1866, between the hours of 11 A. M. and 2 P. M.

de11:td C. H. RIGGS, Cashier.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK, PITTSBURGH, December 9th, 1865.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION for nine Directors of this Bank will be held at the Bank, on TUESDAY, January 9th, 1866, between 11 A. M. and 2 P. M.

de12:td JOHN D. SCULLY, Cashier.

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF ALLEGHENY, ALLEGHENY, PA., Dec. 9th, 1865.

AN ELECTION FOR NINE DIRECTORS OF THIS BANK, will be held at the Banking House, on TUESDAY, January 9th 1866, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 2 o'clock, P. M.

de12:td J. P. KRAMER, Cashier.

MERCHANTS' & MANUFACTURERS' NAT. BANK, PITTSBURGH, Dec. 9th, 1865.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS OF THIS BANK will be held at the Banking House, on TUESDAY, January 9th, 1866, between the hours of 11 A. M. and 2 P. M.

de11:td JOHN SCOTT, JR., Cashier.

THE IRON CITY NATIONAL BANK OF PITTSBURGH, Dec. 9th, 1865.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS OF THIS BANK will be held on TUESDAY, January 9th, 1866, between the hours of 11 and 2 o'clock, P. M., at the Banking House.

del [illegible] J. MAGOFFIN, Cashier.

ALLEGHENY NATIONAL BANK, December 9th, 1865.

AN ELECTION FOR NINE DIRECTORS of this Bank will be held at the Banking House, on TUESDAY, the 9th day of January, 1866 between the hours of 11 A. M. and 2 P. M.

ce9:td R. W. MACKEY, Cashier.

EXCHANGE NATIONAL BANK, PITTSBURGH, December 9th, 1865.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION for Directors of this Bank will be held at the Banking House, on TUESDAY, January 9th, 1866, between the hours of 11 A. M. and 2 P. M.

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