The Morning Post.

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VOICE OF ALLEGHENY COUNTY!

FOR PRESIDENT,

JAMES BUCHANAN,

Subject to the decision of the National Convention.

IN THIS PAPER. THE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES. TREATIES. RESOLUTIONS OF CONGRESS, &c. ARE PUBLISHED BY AUTHORITY.

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☞ The communication of "A. A.," in relation to a union of the cities of Pittsburgh and Allegheny, has been received, but we must decline publishing it, as we do all others which come to us anonymously through the Post office.

The Occupation of Mexico.

We insert, to day, an able and very interesting letter, from Maj. WILLIAM H. CHASE, of the Engineer Corps, in relation to "the retention of San Juan de Ulua and occupation of Mexico," which is worthy of a perusal by every citizen of our country. We may now be fairly said to have Mexico on our hands. Her government is destroyed: her people are indisposed to sanction such a system of military tyranny, as has been exerted over them for so long a period; they see and feel that they enjoy more of liberty, than they have ever heretofore enjoyed: our duty to them, and to ourselves, is, that we shall offer them as great a degree of assurance of peace, and tranquility, and prosperity, as they are capable of enjoying, in the present state of society among them—and to create a spirit of industry and attention to their best interest; and, while thus benefiting the People of Mexico, that we shall promote the interests of our own citizens. There are claims, to a large amount, still due to our citizens by the acts of Mexico, our country has been involved in a very great expenditure of money, for which we should be indemnified: we cannot expect indemnity, now, in any other way than by the occupation of her territory; for there is no government to cede to us any thing, or to make any provision for the future. The occupation of the territory which we have already acquired, is, therefore, a matter which we cannot avoid, unless we are disposed to withdraw our army, and relinquish all which we have gained.

It would assuredly be unwise, to occupy the portion of Mexico now in our possession, while the remaining portion of the territory should be left unattended to—subject to become the theatre of continued scenes of military usurpation; open to the cupidity or enterprise of any other power; or to become a constant source of annoyance to us. With a view to our own security, then; with reference to the peace and happiness of the people of Mexico; and in order to promote, to the fullest extent possible, (owing to our position in connexion with that people,) the prosperity of the people of the United States, we think that the occupation of the whole of that country is our unquestionable duty, as well to ourselves as to them. This course would, in a few years, place the people of Mexico in a position far superior to any which they have ever heretofore occupied—a condition of peace, of true independence, and of confident hope for the future; and, if they should see fit to make use of this position, an enduring friendship for those who had been instrumental in ridding them of the oppressors who had been so long tyranising over them.

In every point of view in which we look at this subject, it appears to us interesting and desirable. While Mexico shall be thus as it were under our care, we would necessarily supply her population with all those articles that have heretofore been obtained from other nations; and to a much greater extent than they have ever been furnished: for it cannot be conceived that, under the development of our institutions, our laws, and our manners, they will not be led to adopt a mode of life materially different from that which has been led by a large portion of her population. Her hordes of military chieftains, who have been fattening on the poor—her thousands of banditti, and her equally numerous mendicant population, will at once be stimulated or compelled to live like honest men, and thus, of course materially add to the consumption of the country. This addition to their consumption, must necessarily throw millions into our country of gold and silver, in return for our agricultural products, and our manufactures; and be the means of adding to the actual wealth of our citizens, while the comfort and happiness of the Mexicans themselves cannot but be increased.

As a measure affecting the interests of the great West, we look upon the entire occupation of Mexico as one of the highest importance; and, whether that country shall again assume a place among independent nations, or shall become an integral portion of the United States, we look upon the military occupation of it, under existing circumstances, as a question which ought to be studied without reference to mere party or sectional divisions,—because it is one calculated to affect, most deeply and beneficially, the interests of our whole country.

Ridiculous Rumors.

We have just been informed by a friend, that the good people of Clarion county, have all kinds of ridiculous stories in circulation, in relation to the Banks of this city. They first had the absurd report, that the Merchants' and Manufacturers' Bank had suspended specie payments; and now we learn, that fabulous rumors are afloat there, that the Exchange Bank is in a critical situation. We can assure the people of Clarion, that there is not the shadow of a foundation for any of these reports. From all the information we can gather, we believe that the Banks of this city are in as sound a condition as any in the country.

Will our friends of the Clarion Democrat be good enough to copy this article?

Hon. Arnold Plummer.

The Harrisburgh Union of the 16th, says: "The Hon. ARNOLD PLUMMER, State Treasurer elect, arrived in Harrisburg, on Monday morning. Notwithstanding his late attack of indisposition, he looks remarkably well, and is in the best of spirits. His friends will be pleased to learn that, although the honor conferred upon him, was not of his seeking, still he is willing to serve the people, and consequently he will accept the office. He left on last evening to make a brief visit to Washington.—When he returns, he will enter on his duties as State Treasurer."

☞ From the correspondence of the Pennsylvanian we learn that our fellow citizen, SAMUEL JONES Esq., was, on Wednesday last, nominated to the Senate, by Governor SHUNK, as one of the Associate Judges for Allegheny county.

☞ COUNTERFEIT HALF EAGLES.—R. M. PATTERSON, Esq., Director of the Mint, at Philadelphia, notices the appearance of counterfeit half eagles, which have recently been put in circulation, and says: "we must suppose either that the counterfeiters have the services of a very skilful engraver, or that they possessed themselves of a dangerous process, recently discovered in England, for making very perfect dies of cast iron, which are *fac-similes* of the original medal or coin.

☞ It is estimated that 30,000 valentines were sent through the Philadelphia Post Office; and the New York papers estimate the number sent through the office in that city at 50,000.

From the New Orleans Delta.

The Retention of San Juan de Ulua and Occupation of Mexico.

We invite the attention of our readers to the following able and instructive article from one of the most intelligent officers of the service, on a subject of much interest:

Eds. Delta.—Previously to the landing of General Scott at Vera Cruz, I suggested that, in any negotiation with MEXICO, resulting after the reduction of the castle of San Juan de Ulua, the retention of that fortress by the United States, should be insisted upon, as a guarantee for the faithful fulfilment of future treaty stipulations.

I trust now, that no treaty stipulations will be made that do not secure to us the permanent possession of the castle and its dependent islands; and that; whilst we still occupy Mexico, we shall lose no time in increasing the strength of the castle, and in constructing strong works at Sacrificios, to command that anchorage.

The castle of San Juan should be provided with twelve inch columbiads, whose range is effectual at three miles distance. The batteries of the main work, at least, should be made bomb-proof and the magazines and store-rooms enlarged, so that three years' provision for men, and munitions could be lodged there, whilst a depot for three years' supply of coal for our armed steamers, should be established at Sacrificios under cover of the fortifications.

In connection with this possession, the statesman as well as the military man, will readily perceive how important it is that no time should be lost in completing the fortifications at Tortugas and Key West.

A wise policy led Congress some years since, to make ample appropriations for the commencement and vigorous prosecution of the fortifications in the Florida Straits, and the same policy will, I hope, insure the possession of the castle of Vera Cruz and its dependencies, and their increase of strength by the means of art.

The fortified possession of Tortugas, and Key West, and San Juan de Ulua, leaves no fortified harbor uncontrolled by the United States within the limits of the Gulf of Mexico, save that of Havana. The Gulf then becomes an American sea, and its control gives power to the United States to settle the Cuban question whenever circumstances may render it necessary.

Whilst throwing out these hints, I would suggest that the military occupation of Mexico for some years to come, is the true policy of the United States to pursue; and for Mexico to acknowledge.

This policy is advocated by some of our most distinguished statesmen, and is even now approved by a large majority of the people.

Military occupation does not necessarily lead to the annexation of the whole of Mexico, nor to the discussion of that policy. There is no need of mixing up the question of annexation with occupation.

The United States is the prosecution of a justand necessary war, have got possession of the heart of Mexico. In the course of conquest, the country has become divided into many parties as respect the men and measures necessary to the restoration either of the System of Federal Government to life. But whilst all is confusion on this score, the respective State Governments are in full organization, and exercise without hindrance their legitimate functions.

The people of these States find that they are better off without a central government, controlled as it ever has been by military adventurers and despots. Hence the difficulty of finding any authorized and responsible government to treat with and lacking that, the United States must remain the armed protector of the independent States. This protection, under more beneficient regulations, extending to the whole country, will be the greatest blessing that can be vouchsafed to the African people.

Left under the Government of the independent States, whilst the military influence is being destroyed, Mexico will, with our teaching and protection, be able, in the course of time, to establish a responsible agency—or, *par excellence*, Government—similar to our own at Washington.

The workings of Providence are as evident in the advent of the Yankee nation, as they were in the landing of the Puritan missionaries on the shores of Plymouth.

Providence in this way, through a series of circumstances, forces the parties concerned, that they are compelled to follow them up until their full development takes place.

The opinion that the necessity of retaining possession of Mexico, is forced upon us by circumstances that cannot now be altered is a growing one. Even in New England, where the opposition to the war, past, present and future, appears to be the greatest, I question if a large portion of its intelligence does not admit the necessity of the continued occupation of Mexico for money to come, or at all events acknowledge that the occupation would greatly inure to their benefit.

The occupation of a country containing 8,000,000 of people, and the *known* fact establishing therewith, cannot but be interesting to an enterprising people desiring to sell all that is contained in that wonderful list of *notions*, that no one, not even a native, has ever fairly read through. Mexico is a fine market, unguarded of custom houses, for the sale of tubs, soap, shoes, pickles, clocks, patent medicines, grindstones, nutmegs, cotton goods manufactured from cotton raised by slave labor, &c., &c. Thus even the Puritans of New England may be reconciled to American annexation, and prefer, as well as they find themselves, as they ever have been, the principal recipients of their inviting benefits.

All the estimates of men and money necessary for the occupation of Mexico appear to be extravagantly high: 35,000 men would be ample for the service. I would distribute this force as follows:

In the City of Mexico	15,000
On the line of communication with Vera Cruz embracing Orizaba	5,000
At Vera Cruz and Castle	2,000
At Alvarado	1,000
At the Plateau of Tehuantepec	2,000
At Tampico	1,000
At Santa Fe	1,000
In California	1,000
On the Rio Grande, and in the Northern States of Mexico	7,000
Total	35,050

A naval force would keep watch over the other Mexican ports within the Gulf. The naval forces in the Pacific would hold Guaymas, Mazatlan, San Blas and Acapulco.

Estimating the cost of each man at $400 per annum, which would be inclusive of the expense of carriage, transporting, pay, clothing, food, &c., and 35,000 men and officers will amount to only $15,750,000; allow $3,000,000 additional for the navy, and we have $18,750,000; and $1,250 000 for pensions, &c., and the amount is $20,000,000; which sum, each year, we can well afford, ought not to be exceeded in the support of 35,000 men in the field. This amount would be increased by the sum necessary to be applied to fortifications at San Francisco, in California, to the Castle of San Juan de Ulua and its dependencies, and the Isthmus of Tehuantepec; say—

To St. Francisco	$2,000,000
St. Juan de Ulua	500,000
Sacrificios	500,000
Isthmus of Tehuantepec	1,500,000
	$6,000,000

in three years—so that the grand total expense for our army and defences in Mexico would not or ought not exceed $22,000,000 per annum.

Mexico could be made to contribute to the amount of one-half this expense. But suppose the United States were to pay the whole bill: would not the trade, unrestricted of custom houses, with 8,000,000 of people, be amply remunerative of the expense.

If we come out of the country, and leave matters as we found them, Mexico will be delivered up to the Philistines—the rascally robber power of the army. Besides, she will be subject to French reclamation. France has an unsettled question with her. When we leave, the French will knock at the door—and when they get in, no qualms of conscience will prevent their staying. But if they persist in staying, we must knock them on the head, bully like—for if Mexico is to be any body's mistress, she must be ours. By so doing, we are again brought into war. Is it not better to let things remain as they are. The war is virtually ended. No one apprehends further resistance. The country is disarmed, and the great mass of the people have neither the means nor the desire to restore the Government to their former leaders.

We must also consider that the extension and fixation of the frontier along the Rio Grande, brings us in direct contact with the population of Mexico. A thousand collisions would occur, uncontrolled as that population is with their evanescent leaders. In Canada, the strong arm of Government prevents collision on the frontiers, it being the interest of England to avoid it. A large military force would be required to restrain both the Mexican and Indian population; and another war and another march on the capital would result, productive of much expenditure of blood and treasure.

If not continued occupation, under wise regulations, the best policy? Our people are in favor of it; or, at least, they will be so when informed of all its advantages, and assured that the scheme is not one of conquest, but of propagation—the propagation of the eternal principles of liberty, that leave men to seek happiness in their own way, when the means employed are not incompatible with the public good.

The war of arms is ended: the people are in the enjoyment of peace to all intents and purposes: each man's life, liberty, and property are secure: the poor Mexican no longer fears to be dragged from the plough to follow some military despot. Providence points out the way by which Mexico may be raised from a state of semi-barbarism to the full enjoyment of rational liberty—the result of light and civilization. The United States are appointed to this mission: if the Government do not fulfil it, the people will.

I have the honor to be your most obt. servant,

WM. H. CHASE, Maj. of Engineers.

Fayetteville (near Peach Orchard), Jan. 25, 1848.

New Banks in Ohio.

Governor BEBB has recently issued a Proclamation, giving notice of the organization of seven new Banks, in the State of Ohio, which will swell the number to FIFTY-TOUR, with an aggregate capital stock of nearly $8,000,000. In noticing this fact, the Dayton Empire says:

"According to the returns made to the Auditor of State, on the first Monday of November, 1847, the forty-seven banks then in operation, had a circulation of $8,221,678 50, with but $2,604,446.79 *specie* on hand, to redeem it; a dangerous disproportion, being a little more than *four* dollars in paper for every one dollar of specie. With such a disproportion, should a panic occur followed by a run upon the banks, which now that the magnetic telegraph is in such extensive operation, could be spread all over the State in a few hours, the whole system must go down in a single day, like a wreck to the bottom of the ocean. Nothing but confidence in the money market, prevents such a catastrophe. But the crisis is yet at a distance; the expansion is not at its height: the tide is still at the flood. We shall have many more banks and a circulation much more largely inflated. That the system in Ohio has weathered safely the financial storm in England and the East, will give it tenfold confidence. We repeat it, the system is but putting forth its first nipping frost: is for a later season.

The late order of the Board of Control, requiring the banks to increase the specie in their vaults five per cent. upon their circulation, was but the effect of a temporary alarm. At best, indeed, it was next to nothing, since translated into plain English, it requires no more than that they shall keep on hand *five cents* additional in specie, wherewith to redeem every *one hundred cents* of their paper in circulation.

The following is a list of the seven new banks:

Farmers Bank	at	*Ashtabula*,
Wayne County Branch,	"	*Wooster*,
Belmont Branch,	"	*Bodly, agent*,
Knox County Branch,	"	*Mt. Vernon*,
Union Branch,	"	*Marsilon*,
Portage County Branch,	"	*Ravenna*,
Muskingum Co. Branch,	"	*Zanesville*.

Wh re will the next latter be domiciled?

We note also, in passing, that the old Wooster Bank has a circulation of $404,764 00, to but just $92,190 80 of specie in its vaults—more than *five to one*.

From the New Orleans Delta.

The Charges against Gen. Scott.

We state that the charges made against Gen. Scott, by Gen. Worth, and perhaps by others, are of so serious a nature, that it was due to the character of the Commander-in-chief that they should be thoroughly investigated and definitely decided. Though cognizant of most of the specifications, we have not thought it proper to call for particularly to them until they were properly brought before the Court to be held at Perote; but a correspondent of the Evening National, who seems to be well informed on many points, has developed some of the charges and complaints which have been made in Washington, against the course of the Commander-in-chief, and we see no impropriety in quoting therefrom.

After referring to many cases of wasteful extravagance in procuring supplies, and of the contempt thus disregard of the directions and arrangements of the Secretary of War, the correspondent of the National proceeds:

On the arrival of the army in Puebla, the same course of extravagant expenditure was pursued; the General-in-Chief was again surrounded by the myrmidons of Santa Anna; he eagerly courted the acquaintance of the leaders of the monarchical party; visited the bishop of that diocese, who was always one of the leading monarchists; and studiously kept aloof from all communication with the great republican party, which comprises at least three-fourths of the population. The monarchists again became his confidential advisers, and through them he opened a correspondence with Santa Anna's particular friend, Mr. Voss, of indemnity memory, from which source he drew all his information until Santa Anna sent him Gracia, a spanish interpreter, who, under the pretext of having been banished from Mexico, as an American citizen, came to Puebla, feigning to have been robbed on the road. In fourteen hours after his arrival in Puebla, he was taken into the family of the General-in-Chief, as an interpreter. It is well known that this Spaniard, Gracia, had never claimed to be an American citizen; and we are induced to believe that he had no other title to citizenship than what arose from his having succored a cast off mistress of a late Minister to Mexico; be this as it may, he is certainly a favorite of his friend Santa Anna, in cypher, with all the information he could gather in the family of the General-in-Chief.

The political action of the General-in-Chief was concentrated upon one single object "to conquer a peace." His counsellor persuaded him that Santa Anna was omnipotent in the country, and that through his influence alone that desirable object would be attained. He refused to avail himself of other and more correct channels of information offered to be opened to him, which would have led to the leaders of the great republican party, from which source alone, peace and a useful information could have been derived. They would have informed him frankly, that no proposition for peace could or would be entertained until that host of cowardly vagabonds, called the army of Mexico, was destroyed. Your advice and aid to him, (We know that Santa Anna and the army are desirous to make peace on any terms. They are supported in that object by the church and the aristocracy, not from patriotism or honor even, but from the sole object of retaining in their hands the reins of government, which will inevitably escape their grasp, when they are without bayonets to sustain their despotism. We, the organs of the republican party, have the power to procure peace being made, and are determined to exercise that power until the military power of our country is annihilated, and the government thereby restored to the people. When that is accomplished, and the people enabled to speak through the representation of the will, then gratitude will dispose them to cede to your government our benefactors, even more than it has yielded at our hand. Again: if you entertain a hope or expectation of patching up a peace with Santa Anna and his satellites, we tell you, in all candor, that your hopes are delusions. There will be no peace. We, the sovereign people, are determined to free ourselves from our oppressors, and placed in the enjoyment of a republican government before we will or can consent to make a peace. One of the evils of our war, as the people, must and will extract the blessings of liberty." The power of the American people to carry out the purpose, would have been completely satisfactorily demonstrated to the General-in-Chief, while in the city of Puebla, if he had not, with scorn and contempt, refused to hold any communication with, or derive any information from, the person recommended to him by the Secretary of War: and if he had acted upon that information, which would cheerfully have been given him, he would have been saved from the ignominy of having made an armistice before the gates of Mexico, which, in its disastrous effects, cost us some thousands of valuable lives.

AZTEC.

OHIO SUPREME COURT.—For the information of lawyers, merchants, and others, who may have business in the supreme Court of Ohio, we publish the following extract of the law just passed by the Legislature of that State:

SEC. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio, That the Supreme Court shall be holden in the several counties in this State for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-eight, as follows, to wit:

Columbiana,	April	3	Knox	October	2
Jefferson		6	Licking		4
Cuyahoga		14	Coshocton		9
Geauga		23	Holmes		11
Ashtabula		27	Tuscarawas		14
Trumbull	Sept.	4	Stark		16
Mahoning		14	Carroll		18
Portage		15	Harrison		20
Summit		19	Belmont		22
Medina		25	Monroe		27
Wayne		28	Guernsey		30
Ashland		28	Muskingum		31
Richland		19	Court in Bank	Dec.	4

A REMINISCENCE.—Six years ago we heard one of the Democratic representatives from Bedford county declare, at Harrisburg, that there was "but one man in the United States, whose personal and political popularity in Bedford county was equal to that of James Buchanan—and that man was Andrew Jackson." We are forcibly reminded of this remark, by the recent gratifying proceedings on the part of the Bedford County Democracy. It was as true, as it was striking and emphatic.—*Lancaster Intelligencer.*

Expenditures of the Navy.—The bill for the support of the navy, for the year ending June, 1848, now before the House of Representatives of the Congress of the U. S, makes appropriations amounting to $9,502,000. Among the objects are the following: For the navy yard at Portsmouth, $50,551; Boston, $97,561; New York, 106,000; Philadelphia, $11,500; Washington, $32,418; Norfolk, $144,136; Pensacola, $159,225; Memphis, $174,038; dry dock at New York, $350,000.

From the Baltimore Republican and Argus.

NATIONAL DEBT OF ENGLAND.

Just read the following, and try if you can keep from laughing when you hear the impertinent prates of the English press, about the states' debt:

"George the Third came to the throne in 1760. He found the national debt 120 millions; he reigned fifty-nine years, and left it above 820 millions, being 700 millions more than at his accession; increasing on the whole period of his reign about £36,000 every day, *or twenty three pounds every minute!* At the beginning of his reign the taxes were 6 millions, at his death, he left them at above 60 millions! Taking the national debt at 850 millions, it will weigh very nearly seven thousand tons in sovereigns; it would take a man sixty four years to count it over, allowing him to count 60 a minute, and work 12 hours a day; it would load as many wagons as would extend eighty miles in a direct line, allowing each wagon to carry one ton, and to occupy twenty yards."

The interest of the sum is 30 millions, and it is drawn by taxes from the people. This annual interest would load as many wagons as would extend over 3 miles in a direct line, with one ton weight of sovereigns in each.

☞ Let every one who is in need of some such Medicine as Sarsaparilla, and who wishes a good preparation, put up in generous sized bottles at one dollar each, read the advertisement in another column, of DOCTOR WOOD'S SARSAPARILLA AND WILD CHERRY, a compound of two of the most valuable medicines in the Materia Medica. As a tonic for General Debility, Dyspepsia, &c. we may safely say it is an excellent preparation.

Sold at the HEALTH DEPOT, Smithfield, between 3d and 4th streets, Pittsburgh, Pa.

From the Morning Post.

MR. EDITOR:—A few words more I desire to add to my former remarks in relation to the proposal to connect the Eddy or Central High School with the University. If we can obtain the co-operation of both boards, and Secretaries were not about. Mr. Alden presents the Report *said* to have been adopted by the Committee. It promised great things for the people of Western Pennsylvania—for the lawyers in particular; HE was chiefly too long and too wordy to be interesting; but notwithstanding, if the Inns of Court Project is all the committee represented it, we would not object. Nor, indeed, do we object to the gentlemen going on with the scheme, if they can receive aid from individuals in sufficient amounts, without asking the state, the county or the city to contribute.

A string of Resolutions were also offered by Mr. Alden, which provided for the appointment of several committees, whose business would be to make preparations for establishing the institution, and the erection of the building, &c.

After the reading, Mr. Alden made some remarks in defence of his scheme; in which he took occasion to laud the lawyers pretty considerably high. He said a great deal not worth recollecting.

He was replied to by John Farrell, who made some good common sense remarks.

M. D. Magehan came in, took a *drink* of *water* and stormed for awhile. He appeared to fear that lawyers might be reduced to a level with the ignorant, the serfs &c., meaning thereby the workingmen. [We would like to say to Mr. Magehan that there are some workingmen in this city who have more intelligence, decency, honesty, and influence, than he can boast, or any blusterer like him.]

Mr. Callan moved that the meeting adjourn till next Saturday.

Mr. R. H. Kerr here made his appearance, and of course, regaled the meeting with a speech; but we hardly knew what it was about. He denounced the Inns of Court as a humbug; and said that the convicts in the penitentiary should not all be made mechanics; a portion should be turned into lawyers, preachers, &c.

After some confusion, the meeting adjourned till next Saturday.

LARCENIES.—Two negroes, named Bruce and Coleman, were arrested by officer Scott, on Saturday, on the charge of stealing fish, butter, &c., in the market. Being suspicious looking characters, their room, on Prospect street, was searched, and found to contain several articles which have been identified as the property of other persons. A few rolls of v all-paper belonging to Mr. Shidle, Wood street; some tin-ware belonging to Mr. Barndollar; and carpet, stone ware, bedding, dry goods, &c., for which no owner has yet appeared. The goods are in the Mayor's Office. The thieves are in jail, and there they will remain, until tried by a jury.

☞ A gentleman named Long, delivered a Lecture in Philadelphia, a few evenings since, upon the subject of Painting and Painters. He noticed all the remarkable men of the profession, from Hogarth down to West, but not a word had he to say about Wilkinson of the Fifth Ward, whose genius has been expressed in many likenesses of great men—and particularly in Whig banners and transparencies.

HUDSON'S PANORAMA is continuing to draw the most fashionable audiences. Philo Hall is nightly crowded with admiring spectators. The Panorama is indeed a magnificent affair; and we are well pleased that the citizens se em to appreciate such a work of art.

☞ "A FRIEND IN NEED IS A FRIEND INDEED."—We felt the truth of this on Saturday. A true hearted Irishman called on us. "Will you take a walk?" says he. "I will," says we,—and so the first place we found ourselves was in a store; and before we could say "Jack," a magnificent scarf—the best in the shop—was in our coat pocket!

SCIENTIFIC.—Professor Loomis has been engaged by Andrews, and will appear in the Eagle Saloon this evening, As a Lecturer and Mesmerizer. Mr. Spencer had better leave town.

MR. Allen delivered a Lecture on Wednesday evening in Cincinnati, in which he undertook to solve the problem presented by Hon. B. D. Owens, in an address, a few days previous.

☞ We call attention to an advertisement in another column headed, For Sale. Any person wanting to purchase an excellent country residence, near the city, would do well to call and take a look at it Possession given on the 1st of April.

☞ The Allegheny Fire Company has put up a new Bell. It makes an alarming sound, and we do hope it may be innocent of the falsehoods of its predecessor.

☞ The great Penn Ball, which comes off to-morrow night, will be a splendid affair. Go early if you want a supper ticket.

☞ The arrival of Prof. Loomis, in our city, has been daily heralded. "Where is he to *Lecture?*" asked some of the papers. Yes, where is he to Lecture?

☞ We had a smack at a bowl of country Molasses yesterday. The article is in early; but none the worse for that.

Mr. Lover, the Irish Melodist and Novelist, is expected in this city shortly.

☞ Miss Bruce is to have a complimentary Benefit in the Theatre, Cincinnati.

☞ Miss Dean and Miss Weymss are playing at the Walnut.

☞ We understand that the Athenæum Theatrical corps has been dissolved.

RETURNED.—Dr. J. P. Gazzam has returned from his eastern tour, much improved in health.

☞ Mrs. Phillips and Mr. Holman are in Zanesville.

FALSE ALARMS.—There was one on Saturday night, and one yesterday afternoon.

DIED—At St. Louis, on Tuesday, the 15th inst. JANE consort of J. P. Lurney, and sister of the Messrs. M'Closkey, of this city.

The notice of the funeral will be given on the arrival of the corpse, which is on its way, on board the steamer Fairmount.

On Saturday evening, February 19th, ANDREW WATSON, Jr., in the 63d year of his age. The friends of the family are requested to attend his funeral, from the residence of his sister, Mrs. Magee, near the corner of Webster and Seventh streets, this afternoon, at 2 o'clock.

☞ Attention! Niagara!—The members of the Niagara Fire Company, are hereby notified to attend an additional meeting, at the Hall, on Tuesday evening, the 22d inst, at 7 o'clock. Punctual attendance is requested, as business of importance is to be transacted. Come one! come all!

C. S. NIEWAINE, Secretary.

Extract of a letter written at

DUNNVILLE, Grand River, C. W.,
April 24, 1846.

"My wife has been afflicted for a number of years with general dropsy; about a year past it increased to an alarming state, so much that her limbs at times have swollen to one third over the natural size. After trying many kinds of medicine, I came to the conclusion that her case was quite hopeless. When your Vegetable Lithontriptic Mixture was recommended I concluded, that I would try once more, and by so doing found it successful in curing. After using two large and one small bottle she believed herself entirely cured. I give you this testimony, hoping it may prove a benefit to those who are afflicted with the same disease, that they may try it and find relief—and I also wish to express my gratitude to Dr. Vaughn, the inventor of this medicine.

JARIUS COOK.

This letter was handed to the Agent for the sale of this Great Remedy in Danville, Canada West, for sale in this place, ask for a pamphlet concerning G. C. Vaughn's Veg. Lithontriptic Mixture, his advertisements are in our columns.

HAYS & BROCKWAY, Agents,
Liberty st., near Canal Basin.

LOCAL MATTERS.

News by Telegraph!

Reported for the Morning Post.

BALTIMORE MARKETS.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 19, 3 p. m

Flour—Sales Howard street at $6.62; market inactive and steady.

Wheat—Sales Prime Red at $1.27.

Corn—Sales Prime White at 49; Prime Yellow at 52.

Rye—Sales at 72@75.

Sugar—Sales of choice N. O. at 6c.

Provisions—Some sales of Pork, with an improved tendency.

PHILADELPHIA MARKETS.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 19, 4 p. m.

There is no change in the market since yesterday. Business has been fine for the season.

NEW YORK MARKET.

February 19, 3 p. m.

Flour—Sales of Genesee at $6.00@6.50. Market dull and holders off.

Grain—The enquiry for Wheat is fair, but other Grains are quiet. No sales worth reporting. Corn is firm and in good request.

Provisions—Sales only for regular trade.

Cornmeal—Some sales at $3.87½.

Market generally without change.

Proposals for Bituminous Coal.

NAVY DEPARTMENT,
Bureau of Construction, Equipment and Repair,
Washington, February 16, 1848.

SEALED proposals (endorsed "Proposals for Coal") will be received at this bureau until 3 o'clock, P. M. of the 17th March next, *for furnishing and delivering* at such ports or places in the Gulf of Mexico as the bureau may direct, or on board any vessel in the Gulf of Mexico that the commanding naval officer may direct for its arrival, such quantity or quantities of the best bituminous lump coal, suitable for steamers, as may from time to time, during twelve months from the date of the contract, be ordered by this bureau, on fifteen days previous notice being given for its shipment—the deliveries to be made as soon thereafter as practicable.

The coal must be such as shall be approved by persons who will be appointed by the bureau to inspect and examine it before being shipped; and the vessels employed in transporting it shall, in no case, exceed the draught of water specified by the bureau.

One lay day (Sundays excepted) to be allowed for every twenty-five tons burthen for each vessel; to commence from the next day after she is reported to have arrived at her place of destination.

The commanding naval officer of the United States squadron in the Gulf of Mexico to have the right, at the time of delivery, to cause any portion of the coal, if he should deem it expedient, to be weighed, the demurrage will be paid by the United States at the rate agreed upon. The rate of demurrage is fixed per ton, custom-house measurement of the vessel, for such delay in detention over the lay days, must be stated in the respective offers.

Persons who may be desirous to offer, are requested not to go beyond the quantity they can certainly deliver at the times which may be specified in the orders, as no extension of time can or will be granted, and in all cases of failure they will be liquidated.

Bonds, with two approved sureties, will be required in half the estimated amount of the contract, and ten per cent. will be deducted from all bills which may be paid until the contract shall be completed according to its terms; the remaining ninety per cent. of all bills duly approved will be paid within three months after their presentation to the proper authority.

Every offer must be accompanied by a written guaranty (signed by one or more responsible persons) to the effect that he or they undertake that the bidder, or bidders will, if his or their bid be accepted, enter into an obligation within five days, with good and sufficient sureties, to furnish the coal as proposed. No proposal will be considered unless accompanied by such guaranty.

The bureau reserves the right of rejecting offers submitted by persons who have failed to enter into contract after their offers had been accepted two weeks, after entering into contracts, failed to fulfil them. The offers must state the pits from which the coal will be taken.

☞ To be published three weeks, until the 15th of March, in the National Intelligencer and National Democrat, Washington; Morning Post and Daily Times, Baltimore; Journal of Commerce, Globe, Evening Post, and Tribune, New York; Pennsylvanian, Public Ledger, and Keystone, Philadelphia; Erie Observer, Erie; Post, Morning Post, Pittsburgh; Enquirer, Richmond, Va.; Republican and Argus, and Sun, Baltimore; Beacon and Southern Argus, Norfolk; Chronicle and Delta, Orleans, Louisiana.

Feb 21-2aw1 15th March.

Eagle Saloon.

MESMERISM.—This EVENING, Monday, February 21st, The proprietor of the Eagle Saloon is happy to announce to the citizens of Pittsburgh that he has made arrangements with

PROFESSOR LOOMIS,

THE DISTINGUISHED MESMERISER,

To spend a few evenings in the Saloon. Experiments of the most amusing and astonishing nature will be introduced, and *Lectures* will have an opportunity of testing the fairness and reality of these exhibitions.

N. B. Several persons recently magnetized in this city, will be operated upon. feb 21

For St. Louis.

THE splendid fast running steamer ANTHONY WAYNE, Capt. MYERS, will leave for the above port on Wednesday, the 23d inst., at 10 o'clock, a. m.

For freight or passage apply on board, or to
feb22 R. H. SHUMBERGER.

DR. RALPH'S CELEBRATED VEGETABLE PILLS are for sale, wholesale and retail, at the
REAL ESTATE OFFICE,
No. 50, Smithfield street,
Also, by Wm. Cole, Allegheny; Wm. Thompson, Economyville; John McCracken, Penn street, Fifth Ward.

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Dent Extract of Mexico.

FOR SALE—A good two story brick House, well arranged, with large lot of ground, at the front on Vine street, Penn Row, and immediately back of a new two story Brick House situated on Walnut street, Fifth Ward, near the Ward School House, and will be sold at a bargain.

feb 21 General Agent, 90 Smithfield st.

SODA ASH.—The subscribers are now extensively engaged in the manufacture of Soda Ash, from some of the most celebrated manufacturers in England, and have on hand, and will receive during the spring, a large supply, (several shipments have now on the way,) of which they will warrant equal, if not superior, to any imported into the United States; and which they are prepared to sell at the lowest market price, for cash, or on time for approved bills. The strength is warranted from 55 to 56 per cent., 45 to 48 per cent. above the standard strength, which is 30.

☞ Present price, 4 to 4½c, according to quantity—payable in cash.

W. & M. MITCHELTREE, 100 Liberty st.
feb21-d3t No. 100, Liberty st.

FOR SALE—The subscriber offers for sale the improvements and property he now occupies, situated on the Fourth Street Road, about two miles from the city, consisting of a well finished Brick House, containing six rooms, and a cellar under the whole: an excellent Brick Tenant House, containing three rooms, a large barn, and excellent stabling; a never failing running spring of soft water, and a pump of excellent water at the kitchen door; also, a garden containing some choice fruit trees, together with ten acres of excellent ground.

The above property will be sold on reasonable terms, and possession given on the first day of April, if not sold before. For further information apply to the subscriber, on the premises.

feb21-dawtAp1 DAVID BEELER.

(Gazette copy and charge Post.)

TO the Honorable the Judges of the Court of Quarter Sessions of the Peace, in and for the County of Allegheny.

The petition of J. Cowan, of Baldwin township, in the county aforesaid, humbly sheweth, That your petitioner hath provided himself with materials for the accommodation of travellers and others, at his dwelling house in the township aforesaid, and prays that your honors will be pleased to grant him a licence to keep a public house of entertainment; And your petitioner, as in duty bound, will pray.

J. COWAN.

We, the subscribers, citizens of Baldwin township aforesaid, do certify, that the above petitioner is of good repute for honesty and temperance, and is well provided with house room and conveniences for the accommodation of travelers and others, and that said tavern is necessary.

Joseph Ralston, Thomas Varner, G. M'Ginnis, Samuel B. Mowe, Wm. Mowe, J. Sickelton, J. Wallace, H. Willet, J. F. Carey, Hiram Armstrong, James Bratcely.

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MUSTARD—A prime article in 1 and 1 lb. jars for sale by [feb21] SMITH & SINCLAIR.

ROLL BUTTER—5 bbls. fresh, put up in cloths, for sale by [feb21] SMITH & SINCLAIR.

LINSEED OIL—66 bbls. Linseed Oil, in store and for sale by SELLERS & NICOLS,
feb21 No. 14 Liberty st.

BACON—33 hhds prime shoulders, 19 do. sides, just received and for sale by SELLERS & NICOLS.
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LARD OIL—15 bbls Carding's No. 1 Lard Oil, in store and for sale at reduced prices by SELLERS & NICOLS.
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SOAP—50 boxes No. 1 large bars, recd and for sale by SELLERS & NICOLS.
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MOULD CANDLES—20 boxes Mould Candles, in store and for sale by SELLERS & NICOLS.
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OATS—A few thousand bushels of clean merchantable Oats will be purchased, on application at the Quarter Master's Office, corner of Penn street and Garrison alley.

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RECORDING REGULATOR AND SURVEYOR'S OFFICE—Removed to the second door east of Smithfield street, on Penn, a few doors west of the old place.

feb19-d3t B. E. M'GOWIN,
Rec. Regulator and Surveyor.

NOTICE—The public are hereby informed that the *Office of the City Water Works* is now established in the old Court House, adjoining the Select Council chamber, where all persons having business with either the Superintendent, Clerk or Assessor, can call within the hours of 8 and 12 o'clock, A. M., or 1 and 3 o'clock, P. M.

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PRODUCE—40 bushels Clover Seed;
2 bbls. White Beans;
6 " Timothy Seed;
30 kegs No. 1 Lard;
6 bbls. Dried Apples;
12 casks Cheese;
80 bags Onions.

Just received and for sale