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The Prosperity of Pittsburgh.

There is not a city of its size in the Union that can boast of a more industrious, enterprising and prosperous population than Pittsburgh. While panics, distress and commercial convulsions have visited other cities, the "Iron City" has remained unshaken, and undisturbed in her career of prosperity. A failure in business here is a thing scarcely known; and when such an occurrence takes place, it can easily be traced, to some gross departure from their legitimate pursuits on the part of those who become "unfortunate in business." Pittsburgh is comparatively a new city. It has been built up within the life-time of a goodly number of its present citizens, from a mere settlement to large city, of over 50,000 inhabitants. It seems like some fairy dream! The Great Fire of 1835, destroyed one third of the business portion of the city. The accumulations of years of incessant toil and labor were swept from existence in a few minutes. But that conflagration, it is now generally acknowledged, was a real benefit to Pittsburgh. Since then, new life has been imparted to the energies of our people. There has been increased industry manifested by merchants, manufacturers and artizans of all kinds. Every branch of business has prospered; and our citizens have been blessed with health, happiness and plenty. Who can contemplate this picture, without finding his heart throb with the most pleasing emotions?

The Future is unrevealed, but we can predict nothing but a career of prosperity and greatness. Nature has been kind in bestowing upon us unequaled advantages. Strong arms, honest hearts, and energetic minds, will push forward every enterprise, which will add to the wealth and strength of the city. In a few years we shall have Railroads to the East, the West, the North and the South. The noble Ohio will be navigated by hundreds of vessels which have not now an existence. The Monongahela improvements will be extended to the mountains of Virginia; and the beautiful Allegheny will float in greater abundance the lumber and products of the North. Pittsburgh must continue in her onward course if her people do not engage in foolish enterprises, which will divert their attention from their proper and natural pursuits. By practising industry and economy, and not allowing themselves to run into unnatural excesses, they must continue, as heretofore, to enjoy unexampled prosperity.

CALIFORNIA EXPEDITIONS.

The recently discovered Gold mines in California have induced the young men of our country, in various cities, to form associations, for the purpose of emigrating to the new El Dorado. We find the following article in the Cincinnati Commercial, of the 8th inst:

CALIFORNIA EXPEDITION!—We understand that a company is now being formed in this city, consisting of young, vigorous, enterprising and substantial men, for an expedition to California, with a view to permanent establishment in that new El Dorado. This expedition has been set on foot by Dr. GEORGE and others, and thus far gives assurance of entire success—numbers having enrolled themselves to make up the party. We have no doubt but that they will meet, in that distant country, with all that their most sanguine hopes have promised.

It is not the glitter of the "virgin gold," with which the new territory abounds that has induced this expedition—though its weight has doubtless been thrown into the scale—but it has been conceived in that restless spirit of enterprise which marks the Anglo Saxon race, and which has changed many a savage wild to civilization and power. They look more to the soil of unparalleled fertility, than to the wealth of its mines,—they see their fortunes in the plough! The Ancient Scythian wandered from land to land—borrowed up the fields for a year's crop in one, and then left it desolate to seek another. Not so the Anglo Saxon; where he makes the furrow, it is one in which is cast the seed of sges.

Edwin Bryant, Esq., author of an interesting book entitled "What I saw in California," has furnished the public, through the columns of the Louisville, Courier, much interesting information respecting California, which we shall condense for the benefit of our readers. He advises emigrants to take the overland route, via Independence or St. Joseph, Mo., to Fort Laramie, South Pass, Fort Hall, the Sink of Mary's River, &c., &c., the *old* route. Let no emigrant, carrying his family with him, deviate from it, or imagine to himself that he can find a better road. This road is the best that has yet been discovered, and to the Bay of San Francisco and the Gold Region it is much the shortest. The Indians, moreover, on this route, have, up to the present time, been so friendly as to commit no acts of hostility on the emigrants. The trail is plain and good where there are no physical obstructions, and the emigrant by this route, will certainly reach his destination in good season and without disaster. From Independence to the first settlement in California, which is near the *gold region*, it is about 2,050 miles—to San Francisco 2,290 miles.

He thinks emigrants should take light wagons, capable of carrying 2,500 pounds, which can be hauled by oxen or mules. They can make 15 miles per day over the roads. For parties of *men* going out, it would be well to haul their wagons, provisions, &c, as far as Fort Laramie, or Fort Hall, by mules, carrying with them pack-saddles and *alforjases*, or large saddle-bags, adapted to the pack-saddle, with ropes for packing, &c., when, if they saw proper they could dispose of their wagons for Indian ponies, and pack into California, gaining perhaps two or three weeks time.

The provisions actually necessary for each man are as follows: 150 lbs. of Flour, 150 lbs. of Bacon; 25 lbs. of Coffee, and 30 lbs. of Sugar. Added to these, the main items, there should be a small quantity of rice, 50 or 75 lbs. of crackers, dried peaches, &c., and a keg of lard, with salt, pepper, &c., and such other luxuries of light weight as the person outfitting chooses to purchase.

Every man should be provided with a good rifle, and if convenient with a pair of pistols, five lbs. of powder and ten lbs. of lead. A revolving belt pistol may be found useful.

With the wagon there should be carried such carpenter's tools as a handsaw, auger, gimblet, chisel, shaving-knife, &c., an axe, hammer and hatchet.—This last weapon every man should have in his belt, with a hunter's or a bowie-knife.

Emigrants should be at Independence, St. Joseph, Mo., or at the point of starting by the 20th of April, and start as soon thereafter as the grass on the prairies will permit. This is sometimes by the first of May, and sometimes ten days later, according to the season.

"THE PROTEST" is a small sheet published at Lowell, by the operatives, against reducing wages. Here is its list of deaths and marriages:

"Married, in Boston, Massachusetts, 20th instant, by Rev. Abbott Tariff, Pauper Labor, of Europe, to Miss Free Industry of Massachusetts.

"Died, in Lowell, Massachusetts, about the 20th instant, of a lingering, corporation, American Wages, aged nearly 75."

The World in a Nutshell.

☞ Peter Bailey, colored, is to be hung in Delaware, on the 8th of February, for rape upon a white woman, Mary Ann Sylbens.

☞ A defalcation has been discovered in the accounts of Mr. Cornelius M. Brosman, treasurer of the county of Ugochage, N. Y., which is estimated at from $9,000 to 10,000.

☞ The population of the Philadelphia almshouse now amounts to 2,079, exceeding the number at this time last year by 300.

☞ A new work by M. Lamartine is forthcoming which will attract immense attention. It is no other than "Une Historie de la Revolution de 1848 et de la Foundation de la Republique."

☞ Hon. Augustus Garret, formerly Mayor of Chicago and long a resident of that city, died on Tuesday last.

☞ Gov. Williams, of New-Hampshire, in his message, comprises all he has to say to the legislature in a short newspaper column; chiefly devoted to the cause of common schools and the promotion of agricultural pursuits.

☞ The N. Y. Herald, of Saturday, reiterates that it is the intention of the Messrs. Rothschilds to establish a branch in that city.

☞ Richard Wallack, Esq., has been appointed Marshal of the day in Washington, at the approaching inauguration of Gen. Taylor.

☞ A man having fallen into a well in Chelsea, Mass., was rescued by his friends by a rope fastened about his neck! He died the next day from the effects of the rescue.

☞ The trial of John Cook, convicted for poisoning his wife in 1834, is going on at Worcester, (Mass.) It will be remembered, from some suspicious circumstances, she was disinterred lately and arsenic found in the stomach.

☞ The President officially recognizes Were Gilliard Nicolas, Consul of her Britannic Majesty for the States of Florida and Alabama, to reside at Mobile.

☞ The Mobile and Ohio Railroad is beginning to assume a definite appearance. A party of engineers have commenced surveying the route.

☞ Buenos Ayres papers of the 7th of October, announce the arrival of Henry Southern, Esq., newly appointed British Minister to the court of Gen. Rosas, dictator of the Argentine Republic.

☞ Catherine Harvey, a friendless girl in New Haven, died of a blow received from the hands of her employer, Henry Ryer, who has been held to bail in the sum of $1,000.

Something About "Old Zach."

General Taylor left New Orleans on the 2d instant, for his homestead at Baton Rouge. The Bee says that he will probably return to New Orleans in the course of December or January. He was received with the liveliest demonstrations of good feeling, in public and private places, by those of both political parties, throughout his sojourn. The day previous to his departure he gave a two hours audience, at the St. Charles, to a very large number of ladies.

As to *office-seekers*, the Delta gives a sprightly little speech of the old General, in reply to a remark that he must be much annoyed with applications for office:

"No," replied the old gentleman, with that pleasant smile which lights up his features when he is playing the amiable, "I am not annoyed by them, because they were to be expected. Let them all send in their applications, and in proper time they will be duly considered. Some will have to be disappointed and some *disappointed*, and those that are disappointed will be no worse off than they were before. As for myself, I would give them all offices if I had them, for the offices belong to the people, whose servant I am. But," he added, "they will all have to be patient, and wait till I am President, before I can act upon their applications. In February I shall pay a visit to my old friend Governor Crittenden, thence to Washington, where I shall be happy to see all of you whenever you visit the capital." The *bonhomie* of this little speech produced a greater effect than the most cunningly non-committal discourse of the most skillful politician.

Report of the Secretary of the Treasury.

The Report of the Hon. ROBERT J. WALKER, Secretary of the Treasury, was laid before Congress on Tuesday, at noon. It is said to be a document of extraordinary ability, and about the same length of the President's Message. The Washington correspondent of the Baltimore Sun, gives the following synopsis of its contents:

"It treats of the Tariff—and the petition of labor—free trade—of the Independent Treasury—with suggestions such as accompanied his last annual report. It recommends the establishment of a branch mint at New York, and another at California—the reduction of the price of public lands—the donation of quarter sections to each township in Oregon, for the purposes of education—the establishment of lines of steamers in the Pacific to Japan and Canton—the Railroad across the Isthmus, as stipulated in the treaty with New Grenada, and the establishment of mutual free trade between Canada and the United States, as well as United States and Mexico.

The statistical part of the Report is peculiarly valuable, and contains the most conclusive proofs of the talent, zeal, and wisdom with which the Treasury Department has been administered during Mr. Polk's administration.

Mr. Walker also shows wherein the organization of the Treasury Department might undergo a sensible change for the better, and the Department divided into two co-ordinate branches, one charged with the receiving and the other with the disbursing department. For the collection of the revenue from customs there ought to be a Commissioner of Customs.

The establishment of a Department of the Interior, separate and distinct from that which is charged principally with the care of our foreign relations, is also urged by many powerful reasons; and on the whole, the message will be far the most comprehensive document which, perhaps, ever issued from the Treasury Department.

The Report will speak for itself. It would be a poor attempt on my part, to praise that which commands respect, and forces, in every candid demonstration of truth, even the sceptic to an involuntary assent to the proposition. X.

HALIFAX AND QUEBEC RAIL ROAD.—The survey of this road, 700 miles in length, has been completed and the engineers on their way home to England to report to the government. It is expected England will assist in the construction of the road, by guarantee of debentures.

LAKE SUPERIOR MINES.—The North American mine will be worked by 50 men during the coming winter. An engine and stamps has arrived there. The Cliff mine still improves. It is expected to ship 1200 tons, the coming season. The Copper Falls Co., has shipped 10 tons of copper to Paris of about 70 per cent.

SOUTHERN SCHEME.—Among the latest schemes contemplated by the cotton planters of California, is the establishment of a bank in each of the cotton states, to enable the grower to hold his crop until it can be sold at a fixed value. It is proposed to advance money on the faith of cotton.

THE CABINET.—Rumor is beginning to whisper, says the N. Y. Evg. Post, that John C. Spencer, who held for a time, under Tyler's administration, the post of Secretary of the Treasury, is to form one of the Cabinet of General Taylor.—Which shows that there is no extravagancy of which rumor may not be guilty.

☞ The Democracy of Nashville must be a noble hearted set of fellows. They recently presented E. G. EASTMAN Esq. Editor of the Union, with an entire "bran splinter" new suit of clothes, as some manifestation of their regard for him as an able and eloquent defender of democratic principles.

☞ Mr. STEWART has introduced in the Senate of the Indiana Legislature, a bill to exempt the homestead from a forced sale.

FOR CALIFORNIA.—The fine new brig Col. Fremont, Capt. Pickell, sailed from the port, of Baltimore on Saturday, for California. At Boston, on Thursday, the barque John W. Coffin cleared for California, via Valparaiso, with a large assorted cargo, valued at 36,000. Her manifest was about two yards long.

NEW WORK.—Miner, on Smithfield street, hasscent us "ROSE AND SERTAUDE, or the Mysterious Wedding: translated from the French of Rodolph Topffer." It is a beautiful story, and abounds with many sublime moral passages, which are not usually found in French publications.

More about California Gold.

A Washington correspondent of the Baltimore, writing under date of Dec. 10 writes as follows:

An officer arrived last evening, and kept an anxious crowd of listeners at fever heat for an hour or more, with his absolutely astounding revelations of goldom. He brings with him, of his own property, only $13,000 of the precious ore or metal. Would you have left the "diggins" with a sum so insignificant, when any given amount could be had for the asking? Not at all. In one account we have seen, 'tis said that an ordinary "sheath-knife" is only required in some "diggins" to scrape or pick the gold from the rocks.

We hard too, a case of a "digger" who had three jack-knives. Of course he could use but one with advantage, so he hired out the other two at the rate of $1 50 an hour, each! The officer above alluded to, makes his vouchment to the truth of this. A cargo of jack-knives, therefore, at this rate would prove to be no profitless speculation.

Church Difficulty.

The Cincinnati Chronicle, of Saturday last, says: A civil case of quite an exciting nature was commenced before Esq. Mark P. Taylor, on Tuesday last, in which the Right Rev. John Parcell, Bishop of Cincinnati, is the plaintiff, and Father Hubber the defendant. The suit is one of forcible detainer, the Bishop setting forth that Father Hubber occupies the premises of the German Catholic Church, (a building thereunto attached,) contrary to his (the Bishop's) will and desires. Father Hubber has been in charge of the German Church, and combats the Bishop's demand of removal, upon the ground that he holds his power and place directly from Rome, and has yet received no papal notification of removal; while on the other hand, the Bishop sets forth that he has by deed, and legal and ecclesiastical power, control over all premises pertaining to the Catholic Church in this his Bishopric. In consequence of an informality in one of the documents, a nonsuit was made. The matter will undergo another examination in a few days. At present the matter rests as heretofore.

☞ The St. Louis Union, of a recent date, says: "Judge Dickey, of Chicago, has decided, on the authority of the Prigg case (16th Peters Rep.) that a master or owner of a slave escaping into Illinois, has a right to remove said slave without regard to the Illinois statute on the subject. The Illinois statute was pronounced unconstitutional; as the owner can reclaim his property at once."

☞ **Young Men's Mercantile Library** AND MECHANIC'S INSTITUTE.—The first Lecture before this Institute will be delivered by the Hon. WALTER FORWARD, on Thursday evening, the 14th inst. at 7½ o'clock, at APOLLO HALL.

Member's tickets for the course, one dollar; to be had on application at the Library room.

Single Tickets 25 cents, admitting Gentleman and accompanying ladies—to be had at the principal Bookstores and at the door. JACOB MILLER,
dec8:td Chairman of Commitee.

☞ The columns of the Press throughout the country seem to be filled with notices of cures and specifics for all diseases flesh is heir to, that one scarcely knows how to distinguish a case of disease, or fear that taking one medicine, another and better may be overlooked. But when the remarkable cures, of high order and that amount of testimony daily brought under our personal notice, of the extraordinary efficacy of Dr Rogers' Liverwort and Tar, we are compelled to regard the evidence of our senses, and confidently state that for Coughs and Colds, and that hydra-headed monster, Consumption, we think his preparation a safe speedy and certain cure. At all events, we may say to our friends—try it.

For sale by J. KIDD & CO.,
Wholesale Druggists, No. 60 Wood st.
Also, by KNEELAND & HARDIN,
dec11:6md&w Grant street.

☞ SPITTING OF BLOOD.—When the stream of life is encumbered with morbid humors, its volume or quantity is increased, the blood-vessels are filled to overflowing; hence a rupturing of those which terminate in the lungs, and spitting of blood, consumption, and other dreadful complaints. Wright's Indian Vegetable Pills are certain to put a stop to spitting of blood; because they expel from the circulation those corrupt humors which cause the rupture of the lungs of blood-vessels, and of every malady incident to man. From three to six of these Indian Vegetable Pills, taken on night, on going to bed, will in all cases give relief, and, if repeated a few times, will most assuredly restore the body to a state of sound health.

Beware of Counterfeits and Imitations—Remember that the Original and Only Genuine Indian Vegetable Pills have the written signature of WILLIAM WRIGHT on the top label of each box.

Remember, also, that Messrs. Fleschwanger & Co., of New York; Jas. S. Gibson & Co., at Philadelphia; and J. H. Wilder & Co., of Louisville, are now agents for this medicine, and we cannot guarantee the genuineness of that offered by them.

Theogenuine is for sale at Dr. Wright's Principal Office, 169 Race street, Philadelphia; and by JOHN THOMPSON, 156 Liberty street, Pittsburgh, Pa., who is sole agent for this city, by whom dealers can be supplied at the wholesale rate. dec11

PITTSBURGH THEATRE.

C. S. POTTER, ... Manager and Lessee.

PRICES OF ADMISSION:

Private boxes.....$5.00—Single tickets.....75c.
Dress Circle.....50c—2d and 3d Tier.....25c.
Pit.....25c.—Private Boxes.....$1.00.

☞ Fourth night of Mr. HACKETT.

THURSDAY, December 14, will be presented Shakspeare's Comedy, called the

MERRY WIVES OF WINDSOR.

Sir John Falstaff.....Mr. HACKETT.
Mr. Ford.....Mr. Oxley. | Slender.....Mr. Dunn.
Mrs. Ford.....Miss Cruise. | Mrs. Page.....Mrs. Madison.
Ann Page.....Mrs. Prior.

In Terminia.. Miss Walters and Master Wood.

To be followed with the

SWISS COTTAGE.

Nais Tick.....Mr. J. Dunn. | Max.....Mr. Archer.
Lisette. (with songs).....Miss Cruise.

☞ Friday, Benefit of Mr. HACKETT.

Vertue's Gallery will remain closed during the cold weather.

☞ Doors open at 6½: Curtain will rise at 7½ o'clock.

BOOTS, SHOES, BROGANS, OVERSHOES, &c. Free of Freight and Charges, at Auction—Will be sold, on account of whom it may concern, to pay freight and charges, at Cyrus Bennett's Auction Rooms, No. 114 Wood street, doors from Fifth, on Saturday afternoon next, December 17th, two large cases of German Toys, assorted. Terms: Cash per funds. JAMES McGINNA,
dec14 Auctioneer.

☞ Just received from New York, a choice selection of elegant rich Satins, Silks, Winter Ribbons, French Flowers, Plumes, &c. A handsome assortment of Winter Bonnets, Hoods, Capes, Cardinals, Visets, &c., on hand and made to order in the latest style, at the shortest notice. MRS. DUFF,
dec6 No. 10 St. Clair st. (West side.)

EXHIBITIONS WITH THE
OXY-HYDROGEN MICROSCOPE.

THE Exhibitions with the Microscope and Lanterna will be continued, in Philo Hall, on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday evenings, of this week, which will be the last. The Thursday evening Exhibition will be for Children, &c., on hand and made to order in the latest style, at the shortest notice.

Tickets, at 25 cents, to be had at Mr. Richardson's Jewelry Store, or at the door. dec11:td

LOCAL MATTERS.

THE GOLD FEVER.—Laugh if you please, reader, but it is a fact that this disease rages in this city. The Cholera is in New York, beyond all doubt, and may be here; but we believe the Gold Fever and it are incompatible, in which case the ravages of the Asiatic plague will not be extensive.

It is wonderful that this fever has broken out among our staid and plodding citizens—no, it is n't, either. We recollect the Oregon excitement; what a tumult was here then, when nothing but six hundred acres of land was promised to each adventurer. Who does not recollect the meeting at the old Court House—for all the town seemed to have been there. The short address of one man we will never forget: "Gentlemen, keep order; let us treat this subject with respect; for it seems to me that we have here before us a chance to make everlasting fortunes." Thunders of applause followed this; and some boys in the gallery, who did not seem to appreciate the great scheme, laughed right severely.

Now, we have a few words of advice to give to our friends. The stories told of the new El Dorado may all be true. We believe the official statements of thirty and forty thousand dollars per day having been collected; that men carry thousands of dollars worth of the pure metal about their persons; that all mechanical and agricultural pursuits are abandoned; and that workmen cannot be found at any price; that an ounce and a half of gold was paid for a box of Seidlitz Powders. And we are ready to believe *all* that is said of the great mines of wealth discovered there. But still, we are firmly of opinion that more good people will be ruined by the enterprise, than will gain fortunes. How many will get safely there? How many will live to get back? How many may be disappointed in various ways? These are suggestions for consideration. Now, we tell the young men who have became enthusiastic on the subject, that they had better stay at home. There are mines of wealth to be searched here, which will yield you all you can get in California, if you succeed even beyond your expectations—you can get a living. Can the gold hunters get any more? Then think of the sacrifices they make for this—the comforts of home, friends, books, every thing.

Again, we say, let those go who will, but they had better stay at home while they are well.

COLONIZATION.—We are always anxious to see the city of Pittsburgh contribute a share in all good works, and therefore have regretted that so little interest has been taken in the great experiment in Africa—the Republic of Liberia. Hot headed emancipationists regard that little country with disfavor; why we cannot imagine. But, that its destiny is to redeem the great Peninsula from its present degraded condition, and elevate its races to the highest civilization, we do not doubt. Who would have predicted, fifty years ago, that at this time there would be in Africa a nation of self-governed blacks? Yet it is the truth. Every arrival brings us the glad tidings of the progress of that people in the great work they have commenced so auspiciously. Americans are no longer connected with Liberia, but there are hundreds and thousands of free negroes in this country, whose condition can be bettered by a residence there, and who are anxious to go. The interests of both races on this continent require that they should be gratified. In Mississippi there are two hundred free blacks stretching forth their arms for aid to enable them to reach Liberia. The Colonization Society desire that the money shall be raised for them. For this purpose, meetings are proposed in some of the eastern cities.

Now, we ask, will not the Colonizationists of Pittsburgh do something?

MAYOR'S OFFICE—*Wednesday Morning.*—The Mayor was roused this morning from his comfortable bed by a watchman, who stated that he was wanted at the office immediately, to make a delivery of the cells, or the crowd would very likely deliver themselves. There were *twenty-two* in—sixteen of whom were more or less colored. Such a time as they had of it in the Tombs; their noise might have "waked death" itself, so shrill and terrible did the voices resound through the gloomy halls. The aforesaid party of sixteen were taken from a dance house on the hill; where they were drunk with music, love and whiskey. The neighborhood was *admirably* disturbed; and the night police regarded it as their bounden duty to make the arrests. The dance was broken in upon, and the parties taken to the Tombs. In the morning, they were summarily disposed of—some paying fines, and others going up. The boss dancer was fined ten dollars, which he had failed to procure, when we let the office.

The other eight cases were white folks, charged with drunkenness and vagrancy.

THE SABBATH.—The Journal explains in the matter of *licensed* carriages, to which we referred on Tuesday. It will be recollected that the petition in relation to "Sabbath Breaking" asked that licensed carriages should be stopped. We intimated that unlicensed carriages were also a nuisance. The Journal replies in this fashion:

"Now, if we are correctly informed as to the designs of this association, it proposes to cure the very evil of which our neighbor complains. In a conversation yesterday, with a very learned and pious gentleman—one of the most active in urging forward the movement—he stated to the Mayor, that it was not that private carriages were supposed to be included in the petition offered—that such was his purpose and the wish of those with whom he acted. The question now recurs, as to whether the language used in the petition, properly expresses the design. The phrase "*licensed carriages*" is used—does this phrase *licensed*, include private carriages, kept by families for their own accommodation? These concurred in drawing up the petition, will, doubtless, review and settle this matter. Upon such a subject, the wishes of the petitioners should be so expressed as to leave no room for quibbling. We are not inclined to yield our assent to the proposed reform, unless it is thorough-going—applying with equal force to all vehicles, of whatever description. Another meeting of the association is to be held on Thursday evening."

DISTRICT COURT—*Wednesday, Dec.* 14.—Before Judge Lowrie.

Peters *vs.* Richardsons. The jury returned with a verdict in favor of the defendants.

McKinney *vs.* Monongahela Navigation Company. This is an action brought to recover for damages alleged to have been sustained by the plaintiff, who owns a farm on Turtle Creek, eight acres of which have been flooded by the Monongahela Improvement. A great many witnesses were examined for the purpose of proving that the improvement had been an injury to the farms along the river—that one lot had actually been sold at less than original cost. The plaintiff asked to be recompensed for the amount of loss he actually sustained during the six years, from 1841 till 1848.

For Plaintiff, Messrs. Darragh and Hawkins; for Defendant, Mr. Thos. Williams.

☞ The papers are not yet done talking about the recent Homicide trials. Now, we will intimate, that, in our opinion, it is in very bad taste to agitate this matter as to Mankee, after the verdict of acquittal. Why should he be pursued with such vindictive malice? The Court and Jury, and we think the liberal minds of the public, pronounced him innocent of any crime deserving an ignominious punishment; and we therefore say, the papers should let him and his cause alone.

FALSTAFF IN LOVE.—After the first representation of King Henry IV., Queen Elizabeth desired to see Falstaff in love; and so Shakspeare, to gratify her, wrote the Merry Wives of Windsor; which, we observe by the bill, will be performed in the Pittsburgh Theatre this evening. Mr. Hackett as Fat Jack.

By the way, Mr. Hackett does not come up to our expectations as the live Yankee.

☞ The "Razor Strop Man" made a speech in the Temperance Ark, Allegheny, on Tuesday evening.

ROBBERY.—Last night, information was made before Mayor Campbell, of Allegheny city, against a Mr. Garner, by a gentleman who was robbed of twenty-three dollars. The robbery occurred on the Allegheny side of the Hand street bridge, while a party of gentlemen were drinking.

OUTRAGE.—A young dandy, who is quite well known in this city, insulted a respectable lady, on the Allegheny Bridge, about 10 o'clock on Tuesday evening. She had to return, and was accompanied home by Mr. Smith, the night collector. The young lark had better mind his Ps and Qs hereafter.

ESCAPE AND CAPTURE.—A metal boat was discovered yesterday morning, going down the river without metal or men on board. It was feared for some time, that it would be wrecked on the first pier of the St. Clair street bridge; but the current carried it around and threw it into shore, when it was taken in safety.

☞ The Allegheny wharf was a brisk place yesterday; the Pig Metal and Lumber boats, with the workmen of all classes, made an animated appearance. The wharf of this river needs some improvements.

ACCIDENT.—While a man, whose name we did not hear, was attempting to check a metal boat, near the Garrison, on Friday, his leg was caught in the coil and it was torn off. Both the body and leg fell into the river.

☞ Mr. Forward delivers the introductory Lecture before the Young Men's Mercantile Library Association *this evening*.

☞ The *National Reformer* is the name of a new weekly just issued, by Messrs Farrel, Patrick and Butler. It is a very excellent paper.

☞ Workmen are making some repairs in the United States Hotel, corner of Penn street and canal basin.

☞ The Duquesne Fire Company have regular stag dances two nights in the week.

☞ There was ice on the canal yesterday morning; but boats are still running.

BLACK AND FANCY CASSIMERES.—W. R. MURray has lately received a large assortment of these Goods, and is opening them at prices unprecedentedly low, ranging from 75 to $2.50 per yard.

Also, French Doeskins, of all qualities.

Also, French and English Broadcloths, black, olive, invisible green, brown, and blue. Among these are some very handsome French Black, suitable for Cloaks, at a very low price; and brown, invisible green, and bluish blue Broadcloths, for Ladies' Cloaks.

Also, silk, cotton and merino Undershirts and Drawers; Mariners' Undershirts, constantly on hand.

☞ The attention of Merchants and Merchant Tailors, who buy by the piece, is specially invited to the above. dec13

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

The petition of Mrs. Mary McFinire, of the 4th Ward, Allegheny city, in the County aforesaid, humbly sheweth, That your petitioner hath provided herself with materials for the accommodation of travelers and others, at her dwelling house, in the Ward aforesaid, and prays that your Honors will be pleased to grant her a license to keep a public house of entertainment. And your petitioner, as in duty bound, will pray.

MARY M'NTIRE.

We, the subscribers, citizens of the aforesaid Ward, do certify that the petitioner is of good repute for honesty and temperance, and is well provided with house room and conveniences for the accommodation of travelers, and that her house is necessary:

Wm McMuhon, Esq., Gen. G. Glover, Jas. Forsyth, Geo. Donnelly, J. Oswald, W. Myers, H. Hackey, W. Hamilton, B. Kennedy, R. W. Armstrong, D. W. Gilbert, L. Miller. dec12:3td&w

TEN DOLLARS REWARD.—For a Watch, that was lost on Friday evening last, between the new Court House and Seventh street. The Watch was manufactured by R. & I. Beesley, and numbered 16,415—double bottom Silver case, with a blue ribbon. The above reward will be given to any person finding said Watch, and leaving it at this office. dec13:3t SAMUEL NOLAN.

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Pennsylvania Rail Road Company.

NOTICE is hereby given that the *Seventh Instalment of Five Dollars* per share on the Capital Stock of this Company will be required to be paid on or before the 1st day of January next; the Eighth Instalment, Five Dollars per share on or before the 20 of March next; the Ninth Instalment, of Five Dollars per share, on or before the 1st day of May next; and the Tenth Instalment, of Five Dollars per share, on or before the 1st day of July next, at the Office, No. 70 Walnut street, Philadelphia.

GEORGE V. BACON, Treasurer.

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CONGRESSIONAL NEWS.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.

SENATE.

Mr. Cameron presented a petition from citizens of Columbia county, Pa., praying for a reduction of the Tariff.

Mr. Dickinson offered a resolution which was agreed to, instructing the Committee on Post Office and Post Roads, respecting the mail service.

On motion, the 34th rule was suspended so far as relates to the appointment by ballot, of the remaining Chairmen and members of the Standing Committees.

Mr. King then presented a paper containing the remaining names, which was adopted—as follows:

Mr. Hannegan, Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Relations.

Mr. Dickson, of the Committee on Finance.

Mr. Dix, Chairman of the Committee on Commerce.

Adjourned.

HOUSE.

The motion to appoint a Committee relative to the Smithsonian Institute, was rejected.

A number of petitions were presented.

Mr. Henly moved that the Committee on Finance be instructed to inquire into the expediency of establishing a branch mint in California.

The resolution ceding the land east of the Rio Grande to Texas, was objected to and laid over.

The proposition relative to reporting was then debated until adjournment.

WASHINGTON, December 13, 1848.

SENATE.

Mr. Benton presented a memorial from the citizens of New Mexico, asking for the establishment of a territorial government.

Mr. Clayton expressed his determination in favor of such organization as that which he advocated last year.

Mr. Benton moved to print the memorial.

Mr. Calhoun protested against the consideration of the subjects referred to in the memorial.

Some angry words occurred between Mr. Benton and Messrs. Calhoun and Westcott.

Mr. Clayton explained the memorial presented by him. He denied its being insolvent, and said the people had a right to ask for the restriction of slavery.

Mr. Calhoun contended that the objectionable feature was disrespectful to the feature, and offensive to the Senate—and should not, therefore, be received.

Mr. Foote moved to refer and print. Agreed to.

HOUSE.

A Committee was appointed to report as to the best measures of reporting and publishing the proceedings of Congress.

In pursuance of notice given, Mr. Greely introduced a bill, giving the freedom of the public lands to actual settlers.

Mr. Palfrey asked leave to introduce a bill prohibiting slavery in the District of Columbia—refused.

Mr. Foote offered a resolution, directing the Approp