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Citizen's and Workingmen's Candidate
FOR MAYOR,
CALVIN ADAMS.

From the Mercury and Manufacturer of December 23

To Our Weekly Subscribers.

☞ The present number closes the publication of the WEEKLY MERCURY AND MANUFACTURER, in its present form. We shall next week issue the first number of THE SATURDAY MORNING POST—being a continuation of the Mercury and Manufacturer, which will be forwarded to all the patrons of the latter paper. The change will be to the advantage of our weekly readers, as the new paper will contain at least one third more reading matter; and its contents will otherwise, be of a more entertaining and valuable character. We think that our efforts to gratify the reading public, will be met, on their part, with increased patronage. If every subscriber to our old weekly will obtain and forward us another subscriber to our new Mammoth Sheet, we shall long remember their kindness. Reader, will *you* not try?

☞ We are anxious to close up our old books, and make a final settlement, so as to enable us to proceed with our new enterprise without the slightest embarrassment. Our proprietorship of this paper has now ran through the space of quite two years and a half, and strange as it may seem, a very large number of our subscribers have not paid us a farthing! This, no doubt, has been the result of negligence, rather than disinclination or inability. We earnestly call upon all those who know themselves to be in arrears, to call as soon as possible, and settle. Those living at a distance, can remit by mail, at our risk. It is impossible for us to send out collectors to wait upon all those who may be in arrears

☞ We are anxious to adopt, hereafter, the CASH SYSTEM, as far as possible, in conducting our business. To compete with Eastern papers, this measure is absolutely necessary. We are compelled to pay cash to our landlord, paper maker, and all hands in the office; and unless our patrons are prompt, it is a difficult matter to get along smoothly.

☞ For a detailed account of the manner in which we propose to conduct the SATURDAY MORNING POST, the reader is referred to the Prospectus, which will be found in another column.

L. HARPER.

Canvassers Wanted.

We wish to employ, at this office, some three or four active and intelligent young men, to canvass for subscribers to our new weekly Mammoth paper, THE SATURDAY MORNING POST. Constant employment and fair compensation will be given. None but trust-worthy persons need apply.

Candidate for Mayor.

It will be seen by the proceedings of the Democratic City Convention, which assembled yesterday, that CALVIN ADAMS has received the nomination of that body, as the People's Candidate for Mayor. Mr. ADAMS is a partner in the firm of Livingston, Roggen & Co., and is a very intelligent, industrious and worthy mechanic. He is fully qualified to discharge the duties of the office, with honor to himself and credit to the city. If elected, he will make an active and energetic officer; and to firmness and sound judgment, will associate mercy and forbearance. Mr. A. of course is a consistent Democrat; but long before his nomination, he was spoken of as the Citizen's and Workingmen's candidate. Such, in fact, we consider him now. If elected, we shall not claim the result as a Democratic triumph; for we are confident, that good men of all parties, who wish to see the character of our City Government changed for the better, will give him their hearty support. Let the mechanics and workingmen of all parties unite in the support of Mr. Adams and he will be triumphantly elected.

The Art of Painting.

We are indebted to our friend Bosworth, on Fourth street, for a very neat and interesting volume entitled "Painting—its rise and progress from the earliest ages to the present time," &c. In a sketch of the life of Hogarth, in this volume, we find a characteristic anecdote, which we have never met with in print before. In the early part of the career of that extraordinary genius, a nobleman, who was very ugly, sat to him for his portrait. Hogarth did him more justice than he wished, in consequence of which, the picture was never demanded. Some time elapsed before the artist asked for his money; but after many applications made without success, he sent him the following card: "Mr. Hogarth's dutiful respects to Lord O——: finding that he did not mean to have the picture that was drawn for him, he is informed again of Mr. H's necessity for money; if therefore his lordship does not send for it in three days it will be disposed of, with the addition of a tail and some other little appendages, to Mr. Hare, the famous wild beast man; Mr. H., having given that gentleman a conditional promise of it, for an exhibition picture, on his lordship's refusal."—This information had the desired effect; the money was sent; the picture taken home, and immediately consigned to the flames.

ATTORNEY GENERAL.—The Pennsylvanian states that is now believed that Governor Johnston has agreed to appoint Thomas E. Franklin, of Lancaster, a third or fourth rate lawyer, Attorney General of Pennsylvania. The Governor knows how to reward his friends.

ANOTHER NEW FURNACE.—We learn that the firm of Messrs. Lyon, Shorb & Co., are about to build a new furnace in Perry township, in this county. This is right. We sometime since stated that there were good locations for furnaces in several townships in this county, and Perry possessed among those we mentioned.—*Clarion Democrat.*

☞ Messrs. Lyon, Shorb & Co., are citizens of Pittsburgh; and it is evident that they pay no attention to the ridiculous cry of "ruin" raised throughout the country, by the leaders of a certain

TITLES.

We observe that a very exciting controversy is now being carried on through the columns of the Presbyterian Advocate of this city, in relation to the distribution of titles. A reform is undoubtedly much needed in this country, in this thing of Colleges conferring titles of honor, and we think the best reform to adopt is to do away with the ridiculous system altogether. The time has long since gone by when the act of attaching such abbreviations as M. D., L. L. D., or D. D., to a man's name, is evidence that the recipient possesses a superabundance of wisdom or learning. Nine-tenths of those who are thus breveted, would wear their "blushing honors" with greater propriety, if the additional appendage of A. S. S. were added to the D's. Many a pair of long ears is concealed behind a pyramid of titles. The very manner in which these titles are granted, and the motives which influence the grantors in conferring them, are sufficient to induce the total abolition of the senseless custom. Some village college needs an addition to its library—the "faculty" and youngsters get together, and attach a few letters of the alphabet to the baptismal name of some wealthy acquaintance, arranged in the most mysterious form of cabilistics; and without delay a piece of dressed sheep's skin is procured at the village bookstore, a quantity of sealing wax is melted thereon, and the document is despatched to the *patent Doctor.* Of course, he feels called upon, after such a distinguished mark of honor being conferred upon him, to forward to his *Alma Mater* some half dozen volumes of books. There is the whole process explained in a few words!

Titles of every description should be abolished in this country. They are contrary to the genius and spirit of our institutions; and are nothing else than a remnant of the exploded feudal system of Europe. A cunning, managing politician, without an ounce of moral or political honesty, succeeds in securing for himself a seat in Congress; and henceforward he becomes an *Honorable* man! A man's HONOR should be measured by his moral and intellectual worth—

"Honor and fame from no condition rise;
Act well your part—THERE all the honor lies."

All such titles as Esq., Col., Maj., Gen., and so forth, conferred upon mere adventurers and "squirts" without the performance on their part, of any meritorious act whatever, should go into disuse; and let men only be known by the plain unvarnished names given them in infancy by their parents. These are our sentiments; and we believe the sentiments of a great majority of the American people; but we do not expect that they will be adopted immediately. The time will come, however, when such things as titles of honor will be unknown in the United States, and we fervently hope that the period is not far distant.

A Bloody Tragedy in New York.

One of those shockingly atrocious scenes, which occasionally disgrace humanity, was on Friday exhibited in a house on the corner of Henry, Grand and Walnut streets, New York. The Sun, of that city, says:—

It appears that a Frenchman named Francis Geiger, living at No. 118 Cedar street, formely lived with a beautiful French girl, as his mistress, but quarrled with her. She then left him, and has lived for some time past with a German, named Fredric William Marks. A few days sin Marks and his mistress came to live in the second story of the house in which yesterday's tragedy took place. Marks was tailor and worked at his trade in the house. Early yesterday morning Geiger called and wished the girl to go with him, but she refused, and he left the place. At about 11 o'clock he rode up in one of the East Broadway stages and entered the house. In a few minutes afterwards, a desperate and deadly struggle commenced between Marks and Geiger. Marks is small, thick set, dark complexioned and homely; Geiger is large muscular and handsome. Both were in the prime of life; one was armed with a short dirk, and the other a dirk-knife, and both fought desperately. The woman screamed for assistance, and some other persons living in the house shouted murder. A young man named Chase, who was passing by at the time, opened the door, and on the stairs met Marks covered with blood, one wrist cut nearly off, the linaments of the other arm cut dreadfully, and numerous deadly stabs on his body. Mr. Chase's first impulse was to push the bloody man from him, least he himself should be supposed to be concerned in the affray, but the next moment he caught the wounded man in his arms. Marks never spoke, but being laid down, expired in a few minutes. On entering the room, Mr. Chase found Geiger in one corner of it, stabbed in several places and in the agonies of death, and the woman in another corner, with a wound in her breast, and another under her left arm. Geiger was seen by persons in the back yard, in the act of stabbing her. Whether he was himself killed by the hands of Marks, or whether he stabbed Marks and the woman, and then himself, is unknown. The two men died in a few minutes the woman was carried to the Hospital, but there are no hopes of saving her life. Capt. Tilley, of the 13th ward, took into custody several women belonging to the house, but they were discharged by the order of the coroner.

Upper Ward Market House Meeting.

An adjourned meeting of the citizens of the 6th, 7th and 8th Wards, was held on Wednesday evening, Dec. 27th, 1848, in the 6th Ward School House, on the subject of a market for the accommodation of the new wards.

The President, Mr. JOHN REA, took the Chair, and the minutes of the last meeting, were adopted.

The Committee appointed at the last meeting, made a report of the different sites suitable for a market house, and recommended, particularly, the site on Franklin street, between Fulton and Crawford streets, as the most eligible, and as costing less than any of the others.

On motion, the report was accepted.

On motion, a Memorial, praying Councils to purchase sufficient ground for a market house, and build a market house thereon for the accommodation of the inhabitants of the 6th, 7th and 8th wards, be signed by the officers of this meeting, and that a committee of one, from each of the above wards, be appointed to present it, together with the report of the committee, to the Councils. Messrs. John Harper, 6th Ward; Wm. Morehead, 7th Ward; and John Allen, Esq., 8th Ward, were appointed said committee.

On motion, the proceeding of this meeting be published in all papers friendly to the improvement.

JOHN REA, President.

☞ WM. E. EARETT, Secretary.

The World in a Nutshell.

☞ Marmont and Soult are the only survivors of Napoleon's marshals.

☞ "Speaking of apples, it is remarkable that the first *apple* in paradise should have turned out the first *pear*." The *Boston Chronotype* is responsible for this.

☞ The Senate of Louisiana passed a bill on the 14th appropriating $10,000 for the completion of the Lafourch and Barataria Canal.

☞ Gen. Cass was to deliver the Annual Address, on Friday, before the N. E. Society of Detroit.

☞ Bishop Potter, of Pennsylvania, has issued a form of prayer to be used in the Protestant Episcopal churches of that diocese, while the cholera is impending.

☞ It is said that Jenny Lind and her partners, Messrs. Lumley and Knowles, netted $10,000 in a fortnight, in Ireland.

☞ Mr. N. S. Dickinson, famous in Boston as a printer and type founder, died in Roxbury, on Saturday.

☞ $16,000 has been appropriated by the Legislature of South Carolina, for a State Lunatic Asylum.

☞ Dr. Parker, the missionary at China, estimates the loss of life by the late typhoon in the Chinese Seas, at 20,000.

☞ The number of marriages in Hartford (Ct.) for the year ending August 7, 1848, was 110; of births, 298; of deaths, 210.

RAIL ROAD REPORT.

DR. WHIPPO'S REPORT OF SURVEYS for a Rail-road from Pittsburgh to Mt. Vernon, via Steubenville, O.

A copy of this document has been laid on our table. Many of our readers being interested in the subject, we make some extracts from the Report:

In relation to the survey from Steubenville to Pittsburgh, the report says:

The survey was commenced at the mouth of Harman's creek, a short distance above Steubenville, and on the opposite side of the river. From this point to the dividing ridge separating the waters flowing west from those of Raccoon creek, there are two main routes—the one extending up Harman's creek to said ridge, a little west of Burgettstown, on Proudfit's farm—the other up the King's creek, with which we connect, at what is called the little cove, and thence to an extension of the same dividing ridge at Florence. Here the head waters of King's creek are on one side, and those of the Brush creek branch of the Raccoon on the other. Crossing at either of these summits brings us into the valley of Raccoon creek. In descending this valley, on our way east, we of course have two routes, corresponding with the two on the western side of the ridge. Both of these extend to the mouth of Little Raccoon, the valley of which is common to both—the one extending from the first mentioned summit to a branch called Burget's branch; thence down said branch to the main stream; and thence round to the mouth of Little Raccoon, aforesaid—the other from the Florence summit down Brush creek, a little above its junction with the main stream. Crossing the Raccoon here, we run up on favorable ground to the forementioned point on Little Raccoon. These two routes from the mouth of Harman's creek to this point, each have their peculiar advantages and disadvantages. Both are practicable—the grades are almost the same—lengths very near the same. The summit at Florence is a few feet the lowest. Easy curves can be made more cheaply on King's creek than on Harman's creek. The whole amount of ascent and descent on the Harman's creek route is something less than on the other; but, upon the whole, it will require careful examination to decide betw en them.

From the mouth of Little Raccoon we ascend, very directly, in the valley of this stream to the dividing ridge, separating it from that of Walker's branch of Robinson's run, which flows into Chartier creek. This summit is at Moreland's farm, and is called Moreland summit. From this point we run down this branch of Robinson's run, near Noblestown, to Chartier creek; and thence down this stream to its mouth, at the Ohio river, 2½ miles below Pittsburgh.

The following table exhibits the proximate grades on the level, with the length of each:

Grade per mile.	*Miles.*	*Feet.*
level	2	4128
30.55	4	1344
48.25	4	3720
level	–	4104
32.85	3	4248
level	2	1752
42.78	3	4896
level	–	1728
39.35	3	1872
23,65	8	4848
level	5	1680

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The whole distance from Pittsburgh to Cincinnati, may be computed thus:
From Pittsburgh to mouth of Chartier, say 2½ miles.
" Mouth of Chartier to mouth of Harmon creek, 40½ "
" Mouth of Harmon to Steubenville, 2 "
" Steubenville to Uhrichsville, 48 "
" Uhrichsville to Coshocton, 33 "
" Coshocton to Mt. Vernon, 39 "
" Mt. Vernon, as above, to Cincinnati, 160 "
Total, 325 "

To go by Newark would make the distance 8 miles less, or 317 miles from Pittsburgh to Cincinnati.

The straight or air line, between these two places, computed by latitudes and longitudes, is 256 miles—only 61 miles less than by your route, with its various deflections. I question very much whether any materially shorter feasible route can be obtained.

On the importance of this road Dr. Whippo calls attention to several facts. Among them is the following:

That almost *the entire trade of the west is strongly tending towards the north*, with a Boston and New York destination. Business men in Ohio and in the west have observed this tendency—it is beginning to be felt, and that very sensibly. There is a cause for this. Let us examine a little to see where it exists. Let us take a view of the public works now in operation, and those in progress and contemplation, which constitute the machinery by which this result has been brought about, and to be perpetuated, and see how they point, and their natural tendencies now, and in prospect. With the help of these lights, I presume we shall have no difficulty in discovering the cause to which I allude. Cincinnati, the great city of the west, has her canals and railroads—these, with one exception, perhaps, terminate at the lake. Indiana, with her public works, directly or indirectly is pointing measurably in the same direction. The Wabash and Erie canal, for instance, with its numerous tributaries, stretching away over into the valley of the Wabash river, has the same terminus, Lake Erie, and brings in from that rich and wide spread country a vast amount of business. Michigan, too, has her railroads; these extend across the State from east to west, and connect Lake Erie with Lake Michigan; and will, no doubt, ultimately stretch round the head of the Lake to Chicago. There can be no doubt in regard to their tendencies.—Then, here are all your railroads and canals in Ohio, all have a northern terminus on the Lake, and are yearly bearing away from the country millions of dollars worth of freight, destined for a New York market. The Wellsville and Cleveland railroad, when completed, will join in the same general movement. The canals of Western Pennsylvania, and the Pennsylvania and Ohio canal, are contributing largely to the same result.

One would imagine, in looking at this great system of Internal Improvements, especially when taken in connection with its results, that there must have been in it a deep-laid, secret design, that did not at first appear, and which has only of late developed itself. And we should judge, by these skillfully laid improvements, that this design was to draw in all, or as much as possible, of the trade of Michigan, Indiana, Wisconsin, Ohio and Western Pennsylvania, into this northern current, and thence east, for the special benefit of those two great eastern cities. It would seem, also, that it was intended to drag the trade even from the Ohio river, and thus to deprive the steamboats of their legitimate business. Whether there has been any design in the matter or not, the fact is equally certain and obvious, that the business of the west is strongly tending towards the north, on its way east to New York and Boston.

All this has been accomplished while Philadelphia and Baltimore have been lying comparatively idle. Neither of them have as yet got fairly into the Ohio valley. It is true they have been doing something; but, in the meantime, New York and Boston have completed their works and have reached forth their hands and seized the prize.—Whether Philadelphia and Baltimore will be satisfied to let them retain it remains to be seen. It appears to me they will not. Philadelphia is now constructing the central rail road. This is good policy, and will give her an advantage which she has never before enjoyed. Baltimore, I should think, would hasten to Pittsburgh also. But even then, it appears to me that something will still be wanting. It appears to me that it will be necessary, in order to secure a reasonable portion of the trade of the west to Philadelphia and Baltimore, that a railroad on the shortest and most direct route, should be constructed across from Pittsburgh to Cincinnati. Now this contemplated road of yours is just the one that is needed. The distance, as I have shown above, is only 317 miles, and only 61 miles longer than the air line. From Pittsburgh to Philadelphia is nearly 300 less than from Cincinnati to New York. Can it be possible that the trade and travel of the west will be allowed to take this circuit? No one can suppose it. Philadelphia and Baltimore, then, I cannot doubt, will give countenance and encouragement to this undertaking. Cincinnati is also deeply interested in it, and Pittsburgh too, which I think is susceptible of proof; and they cannot fail, I am persuaded, to bid you God-speed, and do what they otherwise can to aid you on.

LOCAL MATTERS.

DEMOCRATIC CITY CONVENTION.—This body met in the new Court House yesterday morning. On motion, CHARLES BARNETT, Esq., was called to the Chair; ANDREW M'ILVAINE, JOHN REA, and WILLIAM GILMORE, were chosen Vice Presidents; and *Dr. Pollock; Adam Wilson* and *James B. Sawyer*, Secretaries.

The Secretary called for the credentials of delegates; when it appeared that the following gentlemen were present as representatives of their respective Wards:

1st Ward—P. C. Shannon, John Dunlap, W. C. Meredith, Jas. B. Sawyer, M. Kane, jr.

2d Ward—John M. Irwin, Charles Barnett, John Wynne, Adam Wilson, Wm. Woods.

3d Ward—Wm. Paul, Henry Kennedy, Andrew Getty, A. M. Pollock, Wm. Gilmore.

4th Ward—James Hern, James O'Brien, Martin Connoly, A. J. Bonnet, John Downey.

5th Ward—John Hogue, A. M'Ilwain, John Mackin, Alex. M'Cammon, Wm. Young.

6th Ward—Dr. Alexander Black, Joseph Bingham, John Wray, Robert Miller, George Funston.

7th Ward—Charles Kent, A. J. Gribben, John Shaffer, Samuel Snee, Wm. Moorhead.

8th Ward—W. Alexander, S. Morrow, Geo. Daken, B. Flannegin, D. Seits.

9th Ward—Richard Hughes, Joseph Wicks, Thos. S. Rowley, Richard Prior, Jeremiah Ivery.

Mr. M'Ilvaine offered the following:

Resolved, That this Convention unanimously nominate Calvin Adams, as the Democratic candidate for Mayor of this city.

After some discussion, the Resolution was passed by acclamation.

Mr. Funston moved that a Committee of one from each Ward, be appointed to inform Mr. Adams of his nomination.

Carried.

The Chair appointed the following gentlemen:—Messrs. Funston, Wilson, Sawyer, Hern, M'Ilwaine, Kent, Alexander, and Hughes.

Dr. Black moved that a Committee of one from each Ward be appointed by the Chair, to act as a City Committee of Correspondence.

Mr. Funston suggested that each delegation appoint one of their number to act on said Committee. Lost.

The Chair then appointed the following Committee:—A. Black, M. Kane, John M. Irvin, John Coyle, A. J. Bonnett, A. McCammon, Wm. Morehead, S. Morrow, Joseph Weeks.

On motion, adjourned.

QUARTER SESSIONS—*Dec.* 28.—Present: Judges PATTON, KERR and JONES.

Com. vs. Jacob Seville. Indictment, "Assault and Battery." Plea, "Not Guilty." The prosecuter in this case was a boy, who worked with the defendant, a foreman in one of the Allegheny Cotton Mills. The defendant whipped him without parental or legal authority. The Jury gave a verdict of "Guilty."

Com. vs. Ernesto Gwecke. Indictment, "Larceny." The defendant was charged with stealing carpenters' tools from the new hotel on the bank of the Allegheny; of having sold them to a broker, who took them to auction, where they were found. The verdict was "Guilty."

Com. vs. Peter Baker. Indictment, "Passing Counterfeit Money." Plea, "Not Guilty." This is the celebrated McKeesport case, about which there has been so much talk. For Commonwealth, Messrs. Alden and Washington; for Defence, Messrs. Magraw and Woods. Mr. Woods moved to quash the indictment, because two distinct offences were charged in the first count. Mr. Alden argued against the motion. Court overruled it; and the case went to trial.

MAYOR'S OFFICE—*Thursday Morning.*—Two noble Scotts were brought up, charged by Mitchell with raising a very savage noise on the streets. They were drunk, and did not know that they were doing wrong. "What have you to say?" "Why, sir, we are strangers here; and at home we are allowed to be merry in Christmas times; we got a little tipsy, I must confess; but if you'll just let us off this time, we'll leave town." "Have you money to pay your fines?" "No; not a cent." "How did you intend to get away to the West?" "Well, we thought of cutting our way by cutting wood for the boats." "We'll send you up till you get sober." The next person was a river man. He belonged to the Danube, and was out a little late. As he had no money, he was sent up. The next case, was that of a man who afforded some of the papers a subject for an affecting incident a few weeks ago. On Tuesday evening, he was found in a house drunk, and was carried out. On Wednesday evening, he was found in his own house, with a musket. He was drunk. His wife followed him: she was at the Mayor's office; and followed him to the hill, whither he went for ten days.

The next case was a Philadelphia boy, who has just come from Mexico. He has been afflicted with mania a potu; and was destitute. To afford him an opportunity for recruiting his strength, he was put into jail for two days.

COMING. We are informed that Winchell, the Comic Lecturer, whose fame as a mirth-provoking fellow is as wide as the continent itself, will be here in a few days; and will appear before our citizens in his proper character. We bespeak for him large audiences.

CALIFORNIA FEVER.—Several of the patients have been cured, and we know a few who are convalescent. One company of fifteen has recovered from the malady entirely.

☞ We yesterday heard the names of several *independent* candidates for Mayor. Come on, with yez.

☞ We understand that our present excellent Post Master has taken the Merchants' Hotel, Philadelphia. Mr. M'KIBBIN'S experience will enable him to cope with the best houses of that city; and his exteneive acquaintance in the West, will be a sure guaranty of a great patronage.

FOUND DEAD.—A woman named Davis, was found dead, in her bed, in Pipetown, on Monday morning. An inquest was held; but no facts elicited further than the death.

HOPE SOIREE.—This evening the members of the Hope Engine Company give their Annual Ball, in the Eagle Saloon. It will be a pleasant affair, we do not doubt.

INSTRUCTIVE LECTURES!—The 6th Ward is about to set an example to the city. We observe bills out in which a course of lectures on scientific subjects, by Prof. STEPHENS, is announced to be delivered in the "Sixth Ward School House." The first lecture will be delivered on next Tuesday evening. The lecturer will illustrate some of his lectures by the use of his powerful *Microscope*. His subjects will be Chemistry, Astronomy, Electricity, Galvanism, Magnetic Telegraph, &c. &c. The room will be illumined by the far famed "Drummond Lights"—the lights used in the Parliament houses of England and other countries.

The costs of the Lectures, will be fifty cents for the course. Think of it! Six lectures by Prof. Stephens for a half dollar! Who will not go?

Our citizens are indebted to the School Directors of the Sixth Ward for the introduction of this system of "Cheap Lectures."

BRIDE JAIL.—Some days ago we noticed that a man named Morrison had been committed to Jail by Ald. Parkinson, on the information of an *injured* female. On Wednesday evening, the Sheriff left his son with the keys of the gate, and while he held possession some workmen were permitted to pass out. Mr. Morrison went out very deliberately with them—the acting jailor thinking he was a lawyer who had been in consulting a client. As soon as the escape was discovered, the Sheriff started officers in pursuit, but up till the hour of writing, the prisoner had not been found. He was seen out the Fourth street road, where he met his wife, with whom he traveled for parts to the Sheriff's posse unknown.

STEAMER SUNK.—On Wednesday, as the tow boat "Liberty" attempted to float over the Dam, her bow dipped and she soon filled with water and sank. The persons on board, only three or four, saved themselves by climbing upon the pilot house, from which they were taken by a yawl.

Married—On the 26th instant, by the Rev. Fuller, Mr. A. G. TREVOR, to Miss SARAH WHITE, all of this city.

Notice—The Democratic citizens of the First Ward, Pittsburgh, will meet at the Virginia House, on Saturday evening, the 30th instant, at 7 o'clock, for the purpose of nominating Ward officers.

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Cotton Factory Operatives.—A public meeting of the power loom weavers of Allegheny City, will be held in the President Engine House, on Friday evening, at 7 o'clock, to adopt efficient defensive measures against submitting to have their wages reduced.

Several public speakers will be present.

BALANCES

REMAINING in the Bank of Pittsburgh unpaid; also, Dividends unpaid, previous to the last three years.

BALANCES UNPAID.

Names.	*Residence.*	*Date.*	*Amount.*
Martha Austin,		1845, April 10,	85 00
John Birmingham,		1842, Septr. 26,	126 00
Benjamin Chew, Jr.,		1845, Nov. 27,	23 96
Court of Common Pleas of Allegheny County,		1839, March 7,	19 39
John and Thomas Cowan,		1814, March 2,	55 93
Daniel Curtin,		1831, July 11,	35
Ralph Davis,		11 13, July 15,	15 39
John and Henry Beaver,		1836, June 8,	10 83
Henry Foulke,		1833, June 29,	20
Jacob Fowler & Co.,		1844, Sept. 22,	431 65
Gabriel Gariaher, Assignee,		1824, May 6,	150 93
A. C. Hamilton,		1836, Oct. 3,	12 50
Thomas Hamilton, Armstrong County,		1828, Dec. 6,	17 85
John Henderson,		1817, Nov. 6,	231 50
Robert Jones,		1839, Oct. 3,	42 63
Joseph Junkin, Sr.,		1814, July 13,	18
Ann M'Goffin's Executors,		1839, May 17,	69 50
Joseph M'Cullough,		1814, Nov. 7,	101 86
Jeremiah M'Dermot,		1837, May 5,	100
J. J. O'Brian's administrator's,		1832, Oct. 24,	40 39
Jacob Painter,		1814, March 2,	10 02
Nathaniel Plummer, Jr.,		1817, Septr. 12,	50 25
John Ramage,		1830, Feb'y. 19,	10
James Ramsey, (Canaler,)		1831, Jan'y. 6,	50
Charlotte Redman,		1845, May 3,	100
Samuel M. Reed,		1814, Oct. 5,	100 40
Frederick Scherer,		1833, July 6,	35 00
Johannes Schmidt,		1844, Dec'r. 7,	1263 60
David Soles,		1845, Oct'r. 21,	178 01
Eliza Stephenson,		1833, April 29,	55
Wm. Stewart (of Robert)		1845, March 20,	100
Arthur Thomson,		1815, Nov'r. 11,	110 67
H. H. Warfield,	Ohio,	1831, May 13,	100
T. S. Washburn,		1845, Sept'r. 4,	75
Charles Wilkins,		1839, May 7,	39 14
Hannah Williams,		1842, Nov'r. 25,	105

DIVIDENDS UNPAID.

Name.	*Residence.*	*No. of Shares.*	*Amount.*
William Clark,		8	$ 0 40
R. Neal & Co.,		10	16 4
T. Neal & Co.,		10	9
Charles Funk,		2	1 60
E. Hawkins,		5	4
John Kelly,	Pittsburgh,	6	4 80
Brackenman Say & Co.,		8	6 40
Danl. Chute,		3	2 20
H. Swann,		8	6 40
John Osborne,		8	6 40
James Horner,		16	13
George Hoey,		20	16
George Murray,		10	14
John Wallace,		2	1 20
Paul Mowday,		2	1 20
J. & S. J. Robbins,		18	43 20
George Schwartz,		10	14
James Nicholson,		10	50
Wm. Maclean,	Beaver,	4	7 40
A. R. Moore,		10	18

I certify that the foregoing appear to be balances and dividends due the persons named and having remained in Bank unchanged for three years.

Given to and subscribed this 27th day of December, 1848. JOHN SNYDER, Cashier.

GEO. WATSON, Alderman. dec28:3dkwlt

STRAYED OW.—Came to the subscriber, in the Borough of Lawrenceville, a Red Cow, white on the belly; two white hind feet, and a small white spot on the face; crumpled horns; about six years old. The owner is requested to come forward, prove property, pay charges, and take her away; or she will be disposed of, according to law. JEREMIAH FLEMING,
dec22:3tw* Lawrenceville.

6 BBLS. CIDER—Rec'd and for sale by CUMINS & SMITH.
dec28

100 BARRELS SUPERIOR FLOUR—Rec'd and for sale by (dec28) CUMMINS & SMITH.

APPLES—330 bbls. Romanites, in store and for sale by (dec28) W. & J. C. ACHESON.

100 BUSHELS CORN MEAL—just received, and for sale by W. & J. C. ACHESON.
dec28

BARLEY—200 bushels just received and for sale by dec28 ARMSTRONG & CROZIER.

60 BBLS. FLOUR—received and for sale by ARMSTRONG & CROZIER.
dec28

PLATED SPOONS, &C.—

4	Dor. Silver Plated	Butter Knives;
2	"	" Plain Tea Spoons;
2	"	" Tip;
2	"	" Threaded, extra heavy;
2	"	" Desert Spoons;
1	"	" Table;
1	"	" Tobacco boxes;
1	"	" Sugar Shovels;
1	"	" Mustard;
1	"	" Salts;
9	German Silver	Spectacle Cases;
4	"	" Specks;
4	"	" assorted colors.

Also, 6 of Allen's Best Revolving Pistols: just received at ZEBULON KINZEY'S,
dec28 67, Market street.

Charity Soiree.

FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE ORPHANS OF ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, will be given at the Lafayette Assembly Rooms, on Friday evening, February 2, 1849.

MANAGERS:

Hon. C. SHALER,	ANDREW BURKE, Esq.,
JOHN D. GRUBNIE,	J. J. ROGERS,
JOHN LATTON,	T. WARD,
W. A. M'MULLEN,	JOHN J. MITCHELL,
E. JONES,	JOHN SCOTT,
WM. B. MITCHELTREE, Jr.	HUGH KELLY,
JOHN DOWNING,	A. M'CLELLAND,
C. GORDINGAR,	M. BERNAN.

☞ Tickets can be had at this office, and from the Managers. dec19

HOPE SOIREE.

THE FIRST ANNUAL SOIREE of the *HOPE FIRE COMPANY* will be given at the LA FAYETTE ASSEMBLY ROOMS, on Friday Evening, Dec. 29th, 1848. Music by E. Morange.

MANAGERS:

J. Lockart, Washington;	S. Cameron,	Hope.
A. Mellville, Uncle Sam;	H. Gilland,	"
W. Montgomery, Wm. Penn;	Jas. Appleton,	"
John Marshall, President;	Geo. Wheeler,	"
George Lowman, Eagle;	M. Loughran,	"
M. M'Stein, Allegheny;	Jas Kelly;	"
A. P. Ambuhl, Dupeenne;	Thos. Ward	"
J. M. Porter, Neptune;	J. O. C. Plunkett,	"
E. Kaye, Niagara;	Chas. Appleton.	
Wm. Alexander, Vigilant;		
J. M. Kenny, Good Intent.		

FLOOR MANAGERS:

John T. Symmes, Thos. R. Appleton.

Tickets can be had by application to any of the Managers. dec15-td

PRINTER'S INK.—100 kegs Prout's News Ink, in 20 lb. kegs, at $3 per keg. Just received and for sale at the Pekin Tea Store by (dec5:2dkw) A. JAYNES.

LOVERING'S DOUBLE REFINED SUGARS.—50 bbls. Lovering's Double Refined Loaf, Crushed and Pulverized Sugars, just received and for sale at the Pekin Tea Store, 70 Fourth street, by A. JAYNES.
dec5:dkw

FINE COFFEES.—Mocha, old Gov. Java, Laguyra St. Domingo and Rio Coffees, just received and for sale at the Pekin Tea Store, 70 Fourth street, by A. JAYNES.
dec5:dkw

TO BOATMEN—A large Cable for sale cheap. Apply to SCAIFE & ATKINSON,
dec23 1st, near Wood st.

JOHN COYLE, *Notary and Conveyancer*—Office in M'Cleaf's Building, Fourth street, near Smithfield, Pittsburgh. Deeds, Bonds, Mortgages, Articles of Agreement, and all other instruments of writing drawn up with accuracy and dispatch. Titles to Real Estate examinh apr22-ly

CHANGEABLE SILK VISITS, FOR CHRISTMAS PRESENTS.—W. H. Murphy has on hand a few very handsome changeable Silk Visits, very suitable for Christmas presents, which he is selling at reduced prices. Also, handsome Dress Silks, Satin, superfine new style linens, cambric Hdkfs., &c. dec23

Rates of Discount & Value of Coins.

CORRECTED BY WM. LARIMER, JR.
Exchange Broker, 68 Fourth st. adjoining Bank Pittsburgh.

PENNSYLVANIA.		*OHIO.*	
Pittsburgh Banks	par	State Bank and branches	1
Philadelphia Banks	par	Cincinnati Banks	1
Germantown	par	Circleville (Lawrence)	1
Chester county	par	Columbus Bank	1
Delaware county	par	Xenia	1
Montgomery county	par	Massillon	1
Northumberland county	par	Sandusky	5
Col. Bank & Bridge Co.	par	Geauga	1
Reading	par	Norwalk	5
Lancaster	par	New Lisbon	1
Doylestown	par	Wooster	1
Easton	par	Marietta	1
Bucks county	par	Chillicothe	1
Pottsville	par	Cleveland	1
Washington	1	Scipio	1
Brownsville	par	Lancaster	2
York	1	Hamilton	10
Chambersburgh	1	Canton	20
Gettysburg	1	Urbana	50
Middletown	1	Granville	50
Carlisle	1	*ILLINOIS.*	
Harrisburgh	1	State Bank and Branches	45
Hagerstown	1	Bank of Illinois	75
Lebanon	1	*MICHIGAN.*	
Lewistown	–	Wyoming	70
Wyoming	1	Risginn	6
Erie	35	Insurance Company	5
West Branch	1	ian Bank	10
Waynesburg	1	Oakland county	10
Susquehanna county	3	Farm. and Mech. Bank	10
Lehigh county	–	St. Clair	½ notable.
U. States Bank	par	*MISSOURI.*	
Relief Notes	1	State Bank	1
City and County Scrip	1	*TENNESSEE.*	
INDIANA.		All banks	5
State Bank and branches	1	*EASTERN EXCHANGE.*	
State Scrip	1