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L. HARPER, EDITOR AND PROPRIETOR.

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PITTSBURGH:
THURSDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 20, 1849.

Democratic State Central Committee.

The members of the Democratic State Committee are requested to meet at BUEHLER'S Hotel, in Harrisburg, on Tuesday, 29th January, 1850, at 3 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of fixing the time and place for the meeting of the next Democratic State Convention.

J. GLANCY JONES, Chairman.
G. G. WESTCOTT, Secretary.

[The Democratic papers throughout the State are requested to publish this notice.]

☞ The Democratic City Committee will meet on Saturday, the 22d instant, at 11 o'clock, A. M., at the house of Major Fickieson.

The Committee consists of the following names:

Alexander Black, M. Kane, John M. Irwin, John Coyle, A. J. Bonnett, A. M'Cammon, Wm. Moorhead, Samuel Morrow, Joseph Weeks.

ALEX. BLACK,
December 18, 1849. Chairman.

To Correspondents.

Mr. Y. R. will please accept our thanks for his excellent and seasonable articles, on the great problem of the age—the *Labor Question*. These articles will be laid before our readers as soon as possible; and we bespeak for them a careful and thoughtful consideration, for their author is a man of no ordinary abilities.

The Speakership.

We are getting tired of the chaos that exists in Washington. We do think the matter in contention is not worth the time, expense, and bad feeling that has been spent upon it. Our annoyance is the more aggravating from the fact that we cannot consistently blame any one. We cannot blame the Democrats for holding out, and struggling to elect a man who will truly represent the declared will of the majority of the nation. But the Whigs have an undoubted right to contend for their measures and men. The Free Soilers and the Calhoun men have the same rights which we concede to the two great parties. Thus stands the case at present.

We cannot see how a Speaker can be elected in the usual way without a sacrifice being made by a considerable number of the Whigs or of the Democrats; or, without a withdrawal from the House of the little parties.

Various propositions have been made by which a compromise may be effected, but all have failed. We trust, however, that some member may yet hit upon a plan by which the House may be organized.

While we deeply regret the sad state of affairs which exists in Washington, we are not alarmed about the Union. We can see no danger of a dissolution. A few fiery Congressmen may "withdraw," but they are not the people of the South. We believe our Southern fellow-citizens are as much attached to the Union of States as we of the North are. We can not think that they will sacrifice the immense advantages which they now enjoy, merely because of a desire to perpetuate slavery which a few among them entertain.

The Judgeship.

The American is out in favor of Mr. McCLURE as the successor of Judge Patton. We think the true friends of Mr. McC. will not thank the editor for urging him on the grounds of his partizan services. He has higher claims which should be preferred. The appointment of no man will give more satisfaction than that of Mr. McClure. The American says:

"The bringing of strangers to preside over our courts, has been matter of complaint for years," &c., &c."

This is all very well. Now let the Whigs tell us whether it is not the intention of Gov. Johnson to send a stranger" here. We believe a Lawyer in Erie or Crawford has been selected.

For the Morning Post.

MR. EDITOR:—Ever since the infamous Taylor four cent letter tax went into operation, I have been very careful to inquire for letters at the Post Office, one or two days before publication day, in order to prevent being defrauded. But, unlike Betts with Captain Tyler, they succeeded in heading me. On last Thursday evening I inquired for a letter, and was answered in the negative. On Saturday a letter was advertised. The letter was post marked December 6th, and I received it on the 15th inst. It had only 45 miles to come, and the mail arrives twice a week from that place. I merely observed to Mr. Gelston, on paying over the *charity tax*, that if it was Taylor instead of him I would pitch it in his face. This villainous four cent tax I consider is not one whit behind the "British Tea Tax." M.

Correspondence of the Baltimore Sun.

The Boston Tragedy.

BOSTON, Dec. 14, 1849.

The inquisition is over, but the seal of secrecy still remains upon the proceedings of the inquest. The solemn verdict, however, is rendered, and he who, but a few days since stood highest in the esteem of the world, is declared to be the murderer of Dr. George Parkman, by "six good and lawful men."

A profound mind, cultivated by a liberal education—the moral influence of refined association—the sacredness of the domestic circle, combined with the maturity of age, seem to have had no power in restraining or subduing the ungovernable and devilish temper for which Prof. Webster has been remarkable. This remark does not agree with the statement recently published, that Prof. Webster possessed a mild and peaceable disposition; but I learn from those who have known him from youth, that he has a bad temper—that while at Harvard College, such was the irritability of his temper, that he was known as "skyrocket Jack." It has been supposed by many, that the recent tragedy commenced in a quarrel, which resulted in death, and subsequently in the butchery of Parkman, as the best mode of concealing the murder. But circumstances clearly indicate that the destruction of Parkman was premeditated several days previous to the day on which it is supposed the deed was done. On the morning of Friday, Nov. 30th, as Ephraim Littlefield and family were conversing in their own apartment, Prof. Webster called at the door and remarked that "there was another rumor about Dr. Parkman"—a woman under mesmeric influence has said that Dr. Parkman's body was wrapped up and put into a cab—that the cab had been found out and a large lot of blood discovered in it." Mr. Littlefield, the janator, merely expressed his doubts about the truth of the rumor, and then Prof. Webster retired into his laboratory.

In the afternoon of the same day, by order of Dr. Bigelow, Littlefield commenced a further search in the basement of the building, and proceeded to dig a hole in Webster's private vault, his wife being stationed at the trap door to give the alarm in case Webster heard the noise. He had been at work but a short time when the horrid fact was revealed, and the mangled limbs were discovered suspended on large fish hooks. Soon after the police arrived, when a general search was made, and the upper portion of the body was found in a tea chest. The remains were then put together, and Prof. Webster with two officers, was brought in to look at them. This was a solemn scene. As he gazed at the torn remains of the deceased, he stood speechless—then, a soft smile played upon his countenance—in a moment more, he shaddered fearfully, and then the anguish of his soul seemed to relieve itself in a flood of tears. If such were the feelings of his heart at that moment what must have been his emotions this morning when he read the solemn verdict of the inquest?

I had the privilege of viewing the entire premises of Prof. Webster, in the Grove street Hospital. After a careful examination of the rooms, vaults, furniture, and a chemical substance which had been ignited, I could discover nothing upon which to rest a hope that Webster was innocent of the awful charge. I could only endorse the opinion of some of Prof. Webster's own friends, that the chain of evidence against him can never be broken or explained away. An examination of Webster's rooms strengthens the conviction that the murderer performed his diabolical work with such deliberation and coolness as to render the turpitude of the crime almost without a parallel in the civilized world. Poor Littlefield is strongly suspected by the friends of the accused, and a watch has been placed over him with a view to detect any circumstance which will implicate him. So far, the officers have discovered nothing in his conduct that will justify the least suspicion. This is very proper, as the friends of Webster can never sustain any charges which may be brought against him hereafter.

The excitement, which had almost subsided in consequence of the secrecy of the inquest, was again renewed after the publication of the verdict, and it is thought there will be some difficulty in obtaining a jury to try the case. It is my opinion that a jury will be easily obtained, and that, should a verdict of "guilty of murder in the first degree" be rendered, Prof. Webster will never get his deserts. The same authorities, who but a few months ago broke the neck of a poor bleeding man, (then almost dead from wounds inflicted by his own hand) on the testimony of a notorious prostitute, have already shown a disposition to hide the evidence which will fasten the crime upon the distinguished person who stands charged with the murder of George Parkman.

Yours, &c., R. J. L.

Growth and Prosperity of Philadelphia.

The table we published yesterdy of the number of buildings erected in the incorporated districts *alone* during the past season is 2,555. When it is remembered that this embraces but eight districts of the county, out of almost twenty, and that several of the others are properly a part of, and all may be said to be but extensions of Philadelphia, we may have an idea of the rapid growth and prosperity of our city.

This fact shows that notwithstanding its terrible character for riots, Philadelphia is still a very desirable place of residence, and that there are elements of success in trade and business at work which counterbalance all social evils, and yearly advance in wealth and greatness.

It is a curious fact that Moyamensing, which is called the worst governed district in the county, where property was said to be daily depreciating in value in consequence of its insecurity and taxes disproportionaly high, exhibits, in proportion to its population, a greater increase of new buildings than perhaps any other district in the county; buildings which are equal to the others in size and character For instance there were 8 double three-story brick buildings, 115 three-story dwellings, other brick buildings 124, factories 2, and stores 2. How is this fact to be accounted for?—*Phil. Ledger.*

Sudden Death of the Rev. J. H. Perkins.

We are pained to learn that this most estimable gentleman was drowned on Friday evening, from the Jamestown ferry boat. The manner of his death was not witnessed: but it is known that he has suffered for several years with a disease of the heart, and that on Thursday he was greatly prostrated by agitation caused by the absence of his children, who had gone into the city in a sleigh, without his knowledge. After their return he walked out, to relieve the physical pain which had been indured by this agitation. It is only known that he was on the ferry boat before her landing.

The following description of his person is given, that his body may be identified: He was about five feet ten inches high; his hair was black and long; his nose prominent and aquiline He wore dark mixed satinet pantaloons, lined inside, brown vest, a black neck cloth, very heavy boots, with red tops, and probably wore a Canton flannel undershirt. He had on his person a gold watch, with porcelain face and drab cord, and a gold pencil case with silver pen.

Any one having information as to the recovery of Mr. Perkins' body, will please give notice to Samuel E. Foote, at the Trust Co. Bank, or to Judge Walker or Charles P. James at their offices. *Cin. Enquirer, Dec.* 15.

PETER'S PENCE.—The following is the report of the complete returns from the various Dioceses of the United States of the amounts collected for his Holiness Pope Pius IX. We take it from the Catholic Magazine:

Archdiocese of Baltimore	$2,554 48
" St. Louis	953 65
Diocese of Philadelphia	2,772 00
" New York	6,227 41
" Albany	1,340 00
" Boston and Hartford	3,412 25
" Pittsburgh	1,100 00
" Cleveland	200 00
" Richmond	193 07
" Charleston	501 69
" Mobile	317 00
" New Orleans	2,100 00
" Louisville	601 57
" Cincinnati	1,421 28
" Nashville	62 75
" Dubuque	200 00
" Milwaukie	157 00
" Detroit	374 00
" Chicago	637 85
" Vincennes	750 00
" Buffalo	288 00
" Galveston	123 60
From Rev. P. Dalton, Piscataway, Md.	28 75
From M. A. Frenaye, Esq, Philadel'a.	12 00
Total	$26,018 99

News and Miscellaneous Items.

☞ The joint committee on banks in the Tennessee Legislature, has reported in favor of a general free banking law, with a bill carrying out that system. The minimum capital is $100,000.

☞ A very large meeting of the citizens of N. Orleans was held week before last, in one of the churches of that city, the object of which was the adoption of measures to cause a better observance of the Sabbath. Judge McCaleb, of the U. S. District Court, presided. Speeches were made and the desecration of the Sabbath by military parades, the theatres, &c., was condemned in unqualified terms. This movement may be deemed as the mitiatory step towards an improvement in the practice complained of.

☞ A distinguished Hungarian exile, now in this country, says the New York Tribune, has now nearly ready for the press, a complete history of the recent war of independence in Hungary, including its cause, antecedents and events, military and political, with full notice of the men who played prominent parts in that great historical drama. The author himself was connected with the struggle, and can throw light on many of the important facts which the entire closing of the frontiers, during the war, kept wrapped in mystery.

☞ The Charleston Mercury of the 11th inst., has a telegraph dispatch from Columbia, stating that the Legislative caucus, have elected Franklin H. Elmore, James H. Hammond and Robert W. Barnwell, to represent the State in the Southern Convention, which it is proposed to hold at Nashville, Tenn., in May next. Hammond and Elmore were formerly in Congress, and are among the hottest of the Southern zealots.

☞ A Company of Journeymen Printers have purchased the printing department of the old Boston Type and Stereotype Foundry, and commenced operations on Friday with a heavy job of work. This will bring into employment quite a number of the Traveller's "idle and dissolute" journeymen at the advanced rates.

☞ Mexican Dates to the 24th ult., state that in consequence of the ravages of the cholera in Chihuahua, but little attention has been paid to political affairs in that State. No members have been elected to Congress, and intelligence thence announces that it will not be possible, through the same cause, for the elections to take place this year.

☞ The jury in the Methodist Slander Case in Brooklyn, N. Y., about 3 o'clock on Saturday morning, rendered a verdict of six cents damages and costs, against the Rev. Mr. Green. He was sued, it will be recollected, by Mr. Pierce, father of the late Mrs. Maffit, for expressions in regard to her.

☞ A fine body of men, calling themselves the New York Sun Guards, being attaches of that establishment, paraded in that city on Saturday, accompanied by a fine band, on their first target excursion. They presented an exceedingly neat appearance, and marched like veterans.

☞ A large bed or Lake of Salt has been discovered about sixty miles northwest of Georgetown, Texas, and ninety miles from Austin. The salt is remarkably pure. Thirty kettles and salt pans are already ordered for drying and chrystalizing the salt.

☞ The Cincinnati Gazette says that Mr. Clay's man Charles, about whose escapes and returns a good deal has recently been said in the papers, passed down the river on Sunday last, on route for Ashland.

☞ The Naval Court Martial which has been in session on board the U. S. ship Pennsylvanian, at Norfolk, has been ordered disolved.

☞ Rev. Mr. Forbes, the Episcopal clergyman, who lately embraced the Catholic faith in New York, it is stated with two other pastors of the same persuasion, are now on their way to Rome on business connected with embracing that faith.

☞ Miss Davenport, who was recently playing at the Holliday street theatre, has taken the people of Boston by storm. Over three hundred persons had to return home on the first night, unable to obtain an entrance to the house.

☞ The Elkton (Md.) Democrat of Saturday, says: "The case of the Elk Iron Works, which has been in court for three years past, we learn, will be adjusted to day. The audit has been made out, and awaits the confirmation of the court, Judge Eccleston present."

☞ It is stated that Col. Fremont has written to the Department at Washington, tendering his resignation as Commissioner to run the boundary line between the territory and New Mexico. So says the New York Mirror.

☞ A correspondent suggests that the barbarous custom of flogging in the Navy be transferred from that service to the United States House of Representatives.

☞ The Chesapeake and Delaware Canal is to be kept open the whole winter, it is stated, or, at least, so long as the Chesapeake bay and Delaware river can be kept in navigable condition.

☞ General Washington died December 14th, 1799, just fifty years ago last Friday.

☞ Amongst the persons lately proclaimed outlaws in the Sheriff's Court, London, was the Prince of Capua, brother of the King of Naples.

☞ Mrs. Cutter, late Mrs. Drake, is giving Shakspeare readings at Louisville.

☞ Fanny Kemble persists in her determination not to give Shakespeare readings in slave States, for pay.

☞ Rumors of the Hudson being closed below Albany do not seem to be verified.

☞ The law prohibiting circuses in Vermont, has been re-enacted by the Legislature.

THE ANTI-RENT INDICTMENTS.—The difficulties which have existed for several years between the landlords and tenants in three or four counties of New York, are now in prospect of settlement. At a late term of the Criminal Court, held in Columbia county, the public prosecutor, having been convinced that a large number of indictments had been wrongfully obtained, moved in court that *nolle prosequis*, be entered in all the cases then pending. The court granted the order, and forty-two persons were thus dismissed, and a great mass of criminal proceedings, growing out of the anti-rent excitement, swept from the records of the Court.

AN IMPORTANT FINANCIAL EVENT has at length been decided upon. The New York Tribune says: The Messrs. Rothschilds have concluded to establish a branch of their house in this city, at the head of which will be placed the young Rothschild, son of the Paris brother, who came to this country last year. We understand that although young he already evinces much of the financial accumen which distinguishes this family. The details of the arrangements, and what relation the present agent will bear to the new house have not yet been settled.

MODEL ARTIST BEASTINESS.—A New York letter to the Philadelphia Ledger says:

Society here is in a pretty state of demoralization, if an affair contemplated at a certain establishment in Mercer street, is allowed to take place. It is neither more nor less than a "grand" Model Artiste Ball, the tickets to which (price $50,) are to be had at places where some of the papers indicate. The fact that such a disgusting exhibition is on the *tapis*, is stated in the Merchants' Day Book. Unless the proper authorities therefore, interfere, it is highly probable there will be a row of some kind on the occasion. Was ever such beastliness heard of—out of New York?

☞ A vast majority of the human race spend all their time, and employ their whole time in getting enough to eat and drink, and guard against the inclemency of the weather. The men who picks worms from the ground, the fox who steals geese, and the bird who wades into the water for fish, do as much. What a noble creature is man! He is endowed with reason, which serves the purpose of turning an honest penny.

THE FLOWER GIRL.

Unused I roam thro' the world sad and weary,
Too' bright are my flowers, my visage is pale;
Oh! ye who can render misfortune less dreary,
Befriend a lone maiden and list to her tale.

In sorrow she asks it,
Come buy from my basket,
A rose that the dew-drop of Heaven doth impeal,
With opening buds many,
Pray lay out a penny,
With Ellen, young Ellen, a poor flower Girl.

Despoil'd are the hopes that my infancy cherished,
And severed forever, the fond and the brave;
My father, on victory's field, nobly perished,
And laureled by fame is the warrior's grave;
But his glory decked evil was adversity's token,
My mother would muse on his latest farewell;
Like the storm riven blossom, she faded; heart broken,
And left me an orphan—a poor flower Girl.

In sorrow she asks it,
Come buy from my basket,
A rose that the dew-drop of heaven doth impearl,
With opening buds many,
Pray lay out a penny,
With Ellen, young Ellen, a poor flower Girl.

Oh! where is the cottage, the home of my childhood!
The woodbine is wither'd that shaded the door;
No more will its shelter be sought by the wildwood,
Its welcome be blest by the traveler no more.
Long, long has the ruin been drear and forsaken,
The ivy entwines where the roof-tree lov'd to swell;
And oft will the pang of remembrance awaken,
Within the lone breast of the poor flower Girl.

In sorrow she asks it,
Come buy from my basket,
A rose that the dew-drop of heaven doth impearl,
With opening buds many,
Pray lay out a penny,
With Ellen, young Ellen, a poor flower Girl.

A GEM.

There is a calm for those who weep,
A rest for weary pilgrims found;
And while the mouldering ashes sleep
Low in the ground—

The soul, of origin divine,
God's glorious image, freed from clay,
In heaven's eternal sphere shall shine,
A star of day.

The sun is but a mark of fire,
A transient meteor in the sky;
The soul, immortal as its sire,
Shall never die.

A Romance of the Ocean.

The following facts relating to a young American girl, I think cannot but interest your readers, especially as they are too well authenticated to admit of a doubt of their having taken place, in the manner to be mentioned:

The American whale ship Washington, which arrived here on the 13th inst., reports the whale ship Christopher Mitchell at Paita under the following circumstances: The M. had touched in at Paita, for the purpose of putting ashore letters for home, and again left for the cruising ground, but on the second or third night out, when the watch was called, one of the crew was discovered to be a young girl, instead of a fair haired boy, which created no little excitement on board, and caused the captain to put back again to Paita to land his female sailor, to seek some more congenial way of earning a livelihood, than using a tar bucket and a marling spike.

Her story before the American Consul, was as follows:

"She is a native of Rochester, New York, was seduced, like thousands of others, from her home, by a villian who promised to make her his lawful wife, but who abandoned her in a short time and absconded to parts unknown. Returning to her parental roof, she was met by her parents with bitter scorn and driven from her home. Too proud to ask assistance from strangers, and not so far lost to virtue as to think of subsisting by the only means which might now seem left to her, she put on male attire and for two months earned her living by driving a horse on the canal. Tired of this, she determined to go to sea—first engaged as a cabin boy at $4 per month, but was told by the shipping master that she could make more by a whaling voyage, and consequently proceeded to Nantucket to look for a ship. It was with some difficulty that she obtained a berth, her youth and delicate appearance being much against her. One of the shipowners, at a place where she applied, (an old quaker,) at last became so much pleased with, as he expressed it, 'the good face of the boy,' that he persuaded the Captain of the M. to take her on board.

She performed her duty faithfully for the seven months previous to her discovery—never shrinking from going aloft, even in the worst of weather or the darkest night. She also pulled her oar twice in pursuit of whales, but the boat in which she belonged, had never been fast to one of the monsters, or perhaps her courage might have failed her. She was a general favorite on board, never mixing with the crew any more than was absolutely necessary. Her quiet, and inoffensive behavior had also very much prepossessed the Capt. and officers in her favor.

When summoned into the Captain's presence, immediately after the discovery, she made a full and voluntary confession, whereupon she was taken into the cabin, a state room set apart for her use, and every attention shown her that could be extended to a female on board ship. When landed at Paita, the excitement and fatigue had somewhat overpowered her, but in one or two days she was quite well, and much elated with the prospect of soon reaching home in a vessel about to sail. Only once previously to her final discovery, did she run any risk of being exposed; but on the occasion alluded to, by suddenly working in a more bungling manner, she escaped detection. The cause of attention being drawn toward her on the above occasion, was the quickness with which she plied her needle—being more than a match for the other sailors, in that respect. The fact of her being on board and doing her duty well, cannot be doubted

Her name is Miss Ann Johnson, and her age 19 years.

☞ A lady from New York had been spending the summer in the country. The last Sabbath of her visit she took her son, a child of four years old, to church with her for the first time. As soon as the organ commenced its strains, the little fellow started up with delight. He looked back to the gallery; he stretched his neck; he got on the cushions and raised himself to his very tallest; his mother remonstrated with him, and told him to sit down. But he refused, and continued gazing aloft with straining eyes. "Sit down," said his mother. "I won't," he cried, so as to be heard all around. "*I want to see the monkey.*"

☞ A celebrated gambler, after attending a great revival meeting, experienced, as he supposed, a change of feelings, and finally was induced to take his seat upon the "anxious bench." The minister, after duly exhorting and working up the penitents to a proper degree of excitment, commenced examining them on their experience and the state of their feelings, and finally, approaching the gambler, asked, "Well, my friend, what do you say?" "Oh," replied he, unconsciously, "I pass! what do you do, old fellow?" turning to his left hand neighbor. In reciting the story afterwards, he remarked that that "blocked the game."

☞ **The Democrats of the 8th Ward** will meet at the house of B. EALES, on SATURDAY evening, to nominate Ward Officers. dec20

☞ **Oysters! Oysters!!**—The subscriber will keep up constantly (at the Monongahela Exchange) from this time, FRESH OYSTERS, which he will serve up in the very best style. E. C. CAMPBELL,
sep18:tapr Cor. of Smithfield and Fourth sts.

THEATRE.

MANAGER.....C. S. POST.
☞ *THEATRE WARM AND COMFORTABLE.*
ADMISSION:
Dress Circle and Parquette.....50 cents.
Second Tier.....25 "

☞ Fourth night of Mr. ADDAMS.
THURSDAY, December 20, will be presented—
PIZARRO.
To conclude with—
THE TURNPIKE GATE.
☞ Friday, last night but one, of Mr. Addams.
THE ALTERED—Doors open at ½ past 6; Curtain rises at 7 o'clock.

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dec17 No. 68 Fourth st.

JUNIATA BLOOMS—A few tons, for sale by
dec20 KING & MOORHEAD.

LOCAL MATTERS.

"RETURNED TO HIS IDOLS."—There is nothing annoys the editor of the Gazette so much as a prospect of the operatives in manufacturing establishments obtaining fair wages, or a mitigation of their severe hours of labor. Bound soul and body to the shrine of Mammon, he toils for his idol with an enthusiasm worthy of a better cause. The "Star" factory, that won for its owners bright honors, during the "Ten Hour" controversy, seems to be in an accidental position (from the rise in cotton, without a corresponding advance in the manufactured article,) to call forth the exultation of the Gazette. We do not envy the feelings of the man who would exult at an apparent momentary check to the claims of humanity. We have as little fear of the failure of the Ten Hour System as we have of the eternal progress of Human Rights. Has the editor of the Gazette neither conscience nor modesty? We advise our saintly neighbor not to bother his readers any more about the "STAR;" but, if he *will* write, let him spell the name *backwards*, and for the sake of variety, it will enable him to give the public a treatise on how he conducts his own affairs.

"Good Lord! would thou the gifte gi'e us,
To see ourself's as others see us," &c.

CINCINNATI, PITTSBURGH AND LOUISVILLE.—The Cincinnati Enquirer has a long and scurrilious article in relation to the *folked* of connection between the Pittsburgh and Cincinnati packet line and the Louisville Telegraphs. It speaks of the "narrow minded" men of Pittsburgh and Cincinnati, who have been trying to injure Cincinnati! Pshaw!

The following is the conclusion of the article:

We say in all seriousness to the owners of the present Pittsburgh and Cincinnati line, or to any other line that may be started, that if they are wise they will not attempt to change trade and travel, but content themselves with trying to accommodate both. All such schemes as the one talked of, end only in runs to the projectors. It will be better on the part of the boatmen to leave the small minded members of the two villages we have here mentioned, to plot and scheme at their own expense. They may succeed in a *very* small matter; but when they undertake so large a contract as that of making Cincinnati a way port—a place of re-shipment of passengers, same as bale goods—there will be a failure certain, and ruin to all concerned.

☞ In the District Court yesterday, the Jury in the Disciples' Church case, brought in a verdict in favor of the Church. The following is the pith of the case: Mr. Wm. Stewart was indebted to the Girard Bank of Philadelphia—Mr. Samuel Church was his endorser. Mr. Stewart failing, Mr. Church became liable for the debt, and he was also broken up about the same time. To save their property from execution, M'Vay, Hanna & Co. paid the claim against Mr. Church, and looking round to save themselves from loss, got hold of the Disciples' Church, and sold it as the property of Mr. Samuel Church. The Disciples claim that the church was given to them, by Mr. Church, *before* he became involved; but, the deed it appears, was not made till after his failure. The question decided is, whether the Disciples or Mr. Church were the real owners of the property.

PATENT STRAW CUTTER.—In passing along Liberty street, on Tuesday afternoon, we were attracted by a crowd of persons in front of McMaster's Eagle Tavern, who were examining a new patent Straw and Stalk Cutter, which has just arrived in this city. It is really an admirable machine, and is worthy of the attention of farmers and others keeping horses. Mr. H. H. CLARK, the agent, will remain in the city for a few days for the purpose of disposing of rights in Ohio and Pennsylvania. He stops at the Eagle Hotel, and will be pleased to have our citizens call and see the machine.

☞ The editor of the Chronicle, and an unmarried gentleman of forty-two summers and as many winters, yesterday railed out against a little baby that some anxious mother took to the Theatre, the other evening. We advise him to attend to his own business.

THE IRON MILLS.—The establishment of Lorenz & Sterling is quiet, because the hands will not submit to a reduction in their wages.

We have a communication on the subject, from one of the workingmen, which we will insert tomorrow.

☞ The steamboat Fashion ran against the Mary Stephens, on her trip to Cincinnati, on Wednesday, and did considerable damage. A despatch states that the Fashion reached Cincinnati one hour before the Telegraph.

☞ There are a couple of beautiful oil Paintings for sale at the store of Messrs. J. J. Gillespie & Co., on Wood street. They are the work of Mrs. BLANE, a very worthy and talented lady, and can be had for less than half their value.

☞ Our friends STUART & SILL, on Wood street, near the Post Buildings, have in store and for sale, a prime article of Flour, from Davis' mill, on Chartiers' creek, put up in half barrels, for family use. Try it.

☞ We are requested to state that Barney Williams will make his first appearance on Christmas night, if not before. It is needless to say, that he is well prepared with new Irish pieces, and Irish jokes.

CALIFORNIANS RETURNING.—Wm. B. Curry, Geo. Richart and some others, are on their way home. They are expected here to day. This looks bad for the prospects of the Californians.

☞ A very fashionable young gentleman who is, or was a merchant's clerk, was cowhided on Monday evening, for insulting a lady. The fellow took leave of the city next morning.

THEATRICAL.—A young lady of this city, is preparing to make her debut upon our stage on the occasion of Manager Porter's Benefit.

☞ Alderman Steele has been acting Mayor for two or three days past.

Christmas Cake.

THE subscribers are preparing a MONSTER FRUIT CAKE, which they will have ready for cutting on Christmas morning. There will be *three Gold Rings* in it. Parties and families supplied with Cakes, Fruits, &c.
A. & P. SCHIDDECKER,
dec20:2w No. 42 Diamond alley.

Wanted.

TWO OR THREE ACTIVE MEN, to travel, collect money and take applications for insurance. Young men who are qualified to teach a country school will find this a rare chance, as $50 to $75 per month can be made. dec20:3tw

Soap Stone Griddles.

THE subscribers have on hand and for sale a small lot of Soap Stone Griddles. These Griddles are used without any grease, and are said to bake good buckwheat cakes. JOHN DUNLAP & CO.,
dec20 Corner Market and Second sts.

Shop and Engine for Sale.

IN THE FIFTH WARD, fronting on Liberty street, between Cherry alley and Walnut. One Brick Shop, 40 by 20 feet, two stories high; one 8 inch Cylinder, Engine about 40 by 100 feet, on ground rent, having ten years to run from April, 1850. For further particulars, enquire on the premises, or of JOSHUA ROBINSON,
dec20 European and General Agent,
Post Buildings, 5th st.

BRICK HOUSE AND TWO LOTS FOR SALE—A valuable property of 44 feet front on Darragh street, Allegheny, by 52 deep, on which is erected a convenient Dwelling House of 29 feet front, arranged with a hall, parlor, dining room and kitchen, 4 bed chambers and good cellar—all in good order. Persons doing business in either city and desiring a central location, should look out for the above. Price and terms accommodating.
S. CUTHBERT, Gen'l Agent,
dec20 Smithfield street.

EMERY—A large lot of Emery, which will be sold low for cash, by KEYSER & McDOWELL,
dec20 144 Wood street.

SPERM OIL—By the barrel or single gallon, for sale by KEYSER & McDOWELL.
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PURE GRAPE JUICE—Port Wine, warranted genuine, by KEYSER & McDOWELL.
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REAL Genuine French BRANDY, for sale by KEYSER & McDOWELL.
dec20

TURKEY RHUBARB—For sale by KEYSER & McDOWELL.
dec20

OXALIC ACID—For sale by KEYSER & McDOWELL.
dec20

CHALK—In barrels, for sale by KEYSER & McDOWELL.
dec20

ARROW ROOT—Pure Bermuda Arrow Root for sale by KEYSER & McDOWELL.
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News by Telegraph!

Reported for the Morning Post.

CONGRESS.

TUESDAYS PROCEEDINGS.

WASHINGTON December, 18.

SENATE.—On motion of Mr. Morgan, the Senate proceeded to ballot for Chairman of the Standing Committee, with the following result:

Foreign Relations,—Mr. KING.
do Claims,—Mr. NORRIS.
Revolutionary do,—Mr. WALKER.
Judiciary,—Mr. BUTLER.
Post Office, and Post Roads.—Mr. RUSK.
Territories,—Mr. DOUGLASS.
Military,—Mr. HOUSTON.
Naval Affairs,—Mr. Yulee.
Public Lands,—Mr. FELCH.
Private Land Claims,—Mr. DOWNS.
Indian Affairs,—Mr. ATKINSON.
Finance,—Mr. DICKINSON.
Commerce,—Mr. HAMLIN.
Manufactures,—Mr. SEBASTIAN.
Agriculture,—Mr. STURGEON.
Military Affairs,—Mr. DAVIS.
Roads and Canals,—Mr. DWIGHT.
District of Columbia,—Mr. MASON.
Public Buildings,—Mr. HUNTER.
Contingent Expenses,—Mr. DODGE.
Library,—Mr. PEARCE.
Enrolled Bills,—Mr. RUSK.
Engrossed Bills,—Mr. JONES.
Printing,—Mr. BORLAND.

Previous to balloting, Mr. Clay asked the indulgence of the Senate, to be excused from serving upon any Committee. He said there was no danger of his election as Chairman of any Committee.—(Laughter.) But even if that honor was conferred upon him, he must beg leave to decline.

A motion by Mr. Dickinson, to fill Committees, was postponed till to-morrow.

Adjourned.

HOUSE.—Several propositions and resolutions were introduced, but giving rise to discussion, they were all laid on the table.

The House then proceeded to ballot.

BALLOTS—L	II.	III.	IV.
Winthrop, Whig, of Mass	95	97	97
Boyd, Dem., of Ky	66	59	47
McClernand, Dem., of Ill	15	18	23
Potter, Dem., of Ohio	11	10	—
Cobb, Dem., of Georgia	7	8	11
Disney, Dem., of Ohio	9	9	—
Morehead, Whig, of Ky	4	4	5
Julian, Free Soiler, of In	5	7	4
Strong, Dem., of Penn	—	—	16
Scattering	11	11	22

Mr. Boyd read a written explanation of the difficulty between Mr. Meade and Mr. Duer, apologizing for recent personal controversy on the floor.

The result was an adjustment of the difficulty on terms honorable and satisfactory to both gentlemen and a restoration of their previous relations. The explanation was received with much applause.

WEDNESDAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

WASHINGTON, December 19.

SENATE.—Appointed standing Committees; then adjourned.

HOUSE.—Father Matthew appeared on the floor. A Resolution was passed giving him a seat in the bar. He also visited the Senate. He was introduced to the President and members.

A number of different propositions and resolutions were introduced relative to facilitating the election of Speaker;—all laid on the table. An attempt was made to rescind the Resolution passed last week, precluding debate until the Speaker was elected, but failed.

Mr. Julian took his seat and voted.

There were three ballotings for Speaker, as follows:—

	I.	II.	III.
Winthrop, Whig, of Mass	84	88	86
McClernand, Dem., of Illinois	35	40	46
Boyd, Dem., of Kentucky	37	32	32
Strong, Dem., of Penn	17	17	17
Cobb, Dem., of Georgia	15	14	10
Julian, F. S. Whig, of Indiana	4	4	5
Scattering	32	31	28

Additional Foreign Intelligence!

PHILADELPHIA, December 19.

LIVERPOOL.—*American Provision Market.*—A limited business has been done during the past week. The tendency of prices is downward. Ordinary