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MEETING OF COUNCILS.

Subscription to the Connellsville Railroad.

As will be seen in another column, important business was transacted in the City Councils last night.

It will gratify the friends of the measure to learn that a City subscription to the Connellsville Railroad of half a million has been authorized by the Councils, with great unanimity.

Another measure of importance was brought forward: the visit of the Legislature to this city. As the matter has not passed finally, we cannot say for certain whether our citizens will have an opportunity of extending their hospitalities to the officials of the State or not. A day or two will tell.

OUR COUNTY CONVENTION

Meets to-morrow, and we believe a good representation of the party will be present. We hope that everything connected with its duties will pass off harmoniously, and that such Delegates will be appointed as will reflect credit upon the Democracy of Allegheny.

Although the whigs have a majority in our county, they have never been able to dampen the ardor of the democracy in the good cause, or by big majorities to make us falter in the struggle. Our untiring efforts have kept up the democratic fire in the western part of the State for many years, and, under all circumstances, we are determined to keep it up for all time to come.

It is well understood that the Delegates vote by districts. The following is the manner in which they are arranged:

The City of Pittsburgh to compose the First District, and elect two members to the Convention.

The City of Allegheny to compose the Second District, and elect one member.

The borough of Lawrenceville, Wilkins, Pitt, Peebles, Plum, Versailles, and the Elizabeths, shall compose the Third District, and elect one member.

The boroughs of Manchester, Sharpsburg, Tarentum and Duquesne, and the townships of Shaler, Ross, Pine, the Deers, Indiana, Reserve and Franklin, to compose the Fourth District, and elect one member.

The boroughs of Birmingham and McKeesport, and the townships of Snowden, Jefferson, St. Clair and Baldwin, to compose the Fifth District and elect one member.

The borough of South Pittsburgh, and townships of Ohio, Findley, Moon, Robinson, Upper St. Clair and the Fayettes, to compose the Sixth District, and elect one member.

OPENING OF THE CANALS.

The editors of the *North American* have received intelligence that the line of the State works, from Philadelphia to Pittsburgh will certainly be opened and ready for navigation as early as the first proximo. It has been ascertained and reported at the Canal office that the breaches made by the recent freshet in the interior of the State are of so slight a kind as to be easily repaired, and that, therefore, they will not postpone the free use of the works beyond the day mentioned. This will be gratifying news to our business community.

The merchants of Philadelphia are preparing for and expecting a large Spring trade. The North American says: "We can assure western merchants that, while they will find here stocks of goods equal in all respects to those at other markets, and may purchase them upon terms even more favorable than are obtainable elsewhere, they will be able to have them sent hence to the West as promptly as from any other point on the Atlantic. The Pennsylvania Canals in conjunction with the Central Railroad, furnish ample facilities for the rapid transportation of a very large amount of freight, and country dealers will therefore consult their interest in procuring their supplies at this place.

CHARTIER'S VALLEY RAILROAD.

It will be seen by an advertisement in to-day's paper, that the Commissioners named in the act to incorporate a Railroad between Pittsburgh and Washington, along Chartier's Valley, will meet at Monongahela House, on Friday morning, 18th of February, at 10 o'clock.

The Commissioners are: John H. Ewing, John Bausman, L. P. Hitchcock, Jacob Morgan, Wm. S. Calohan, George S. Hays, James O'H. Denny, Henry Graff, Frederick Lorenz, George Ledlie, Mansfield Brown, Charles H. Paulson, John Boyce, Thomas Watson, John Weaver, Daniel Houston, Robert McKnight, David T. Morgan, Thomas Bakewell, J. K. Moorhead, William Larimer, Jr., Lecky Harper, and William McDaniel.

We hope there will be a full attendance on the part of the Commissioners, so that prompt and vigorous measures may be adopted to secure the early construction of the Chartier's Valley Railroad. Let every friend of this important work resolve to give it every assistance in his power.

THE LAST CAST OF THE CABINET.

It is now rumored that Gen. Pierce's Cabinet, is to consist of the following named gentlemen:

R. M. T. Hunter, of Va., Secretary of State.
Howell Cobb, of Georgia, Secretary of the Treasury.
Robert M. McLane, of Maryland, Secretary of the Interior.
Robert F. Stockton, of New Jersey, Secretary of the Navy.
John L. Dawson, of Pa., Secretary of War.
Samuel Medary, of Ohio, Postmaster General.
John Slidell, of Louisiana, Attorney General.

We find the above in a Philadelphia paper, and give it for what it is worth. Our own opinion is that no person but Gen. PIERCE knows who are to compose his Cabinet. But in a few days "we shall see what we shall see."

LADY'S BOOK.

We have received from Mr. GODEY the March number of his celebrated Lady's Book, which is filled with good reading and pretty engravings. "Hours of Idleness," and "The Memory of the Past," are gems of art. The leading article is an illustrated description of the extensive establishment of Messrs. Cornelius, Baker & Co., in Philadelphia, for the manufacture of Gas Fixtures and Lamps, which we noticed last summer in the Morning Post. The ladies will find this one of the most attractive numbers of Godey ever issued.

☞ We regret to learn by the Pittsburgh *Post* that Col. William McCandless, of that city, is lying dangerously ill, with small chance of recovery. Indeed, we this paragraph is penned, he may have passed to that "bourne from whence no traveler returns." Col. McC. has long been one of the leading democrats in the Western part of this State—is a lawyer of ability, and a gentleman of the social qualities. His loss, should the fears of his friends prove true, will be deeply felt by all who know him.—*Erie Observer.*

We are happy to inform our friends of the Observer that Col. McCANDLESS is recovering from his severe indisposition.

General Pierce's First Appointment.—The *Portland Advertiser*, referring to the new carriage about to be presented to Gen. Pierce, says he has appointed Mr. Wm. R. Mitchell, of Portland, who now serves for Gibson, his coachman. The *Advertiser* adds that "he is a good Whig, and as true a fellow as ever snapped a whip."

The "Spirit" Bank of Chicago.

We have noticed, says the Cleveland *Herald*, several of the Spirit pronunciamentos issued by the officers of the Bank of Chicago, an Illinois institution which claimed to be established and conducted on Christian principles. It was announced by telegraph a few days ago that the Bank had failed, and we find in the Chicago papers some particulars of the lunatics connected with the Bank. A run was made on the Bank on the 7th, and as the managers refused to redeem in many instances, the excitement ran so high as to threaten mob violence. Mr. Paine gave notice that he would not redeem for butchers, rum-suckers, hog-eaters or speculators, but would for laboring men, that being the true principle of Christian Banking. He had previously refused to pay his taxes, on the score that it was against the rule of God and the spirits to pay taxes—everything should be free. The collector was not satisfied with such reasons and levied on property. On the 8th a commission of lunacy was issued at the suit of the friends of Ira B. Eddy, President of the Spiritual Bank, who was in a frantic state, flourishing a revolver and threatening terribly. His brother, D. C. Eddy, was appointed conservator, gave bond in $80,000, and took his affairs in charge on a commission of lunacy. He appeared different from Mr. Eddy, and affected the "subdued" style. The Tribune says "the strength has gone from him like Samson of old, and he has concluded to be like any other man." The Journal of the 9th says:

"The Bank is open this morning, and bills presented by temperance men, and those who do not use tobacco, are redeemed by a lady in attendance from 'private funds,' in a private room—but tobacco chewers, and others obnoxious to the 'spirits' are referred to Judge Skinner for a redemption of the bills they hold."

Ross Township Delegate Meeting.

Pursuant to notice, the Democracy of Ross township met at the election District, on Saturday, at 4 o'clock. The meeting was organized by the selection of B. H. KERR for Chairman, and Martin McAleer, Secretary.

The object of the meeting being stated by the Chairman, on motion, the following gentlemen were then unanimously elected Delegates to the County Convention: Messrs. Peter Ivory and H. McAleer.

Mr. Kerr, in a short speech, submitted the foregoing resolutions, which, after a free interchange of opinion, were adopted unanimously, and ordered to be incorporated with the proceedings, and the Delegates instructed to present the same to the Convention:

Resolved, That the late election for President shows that the Whig system of gumboggingdom not endure the Democracy will rally and establish principles, and the triumphant election of General Pierce, will secure prosperity to the Country, and teach a lesson to over ambitious politicians that should not be forgotten.

Resolved, That the appointment of the Hon. Judge Shannon to the bench of the United States Court was an honor conferred on a worthy man, and meets the entire approval of the Bar and the people; for since his elevation, he has labored with unlisting energy in the discharge of his responsible duties.

Resolved, That Gov. Bigler has discharged his high trust with fidelity to the State, which is conclusive evidence that we are best governed when an honest Democrat is in power.

Resolved, That Sale officers who have performed their duty are entitled to a re-election, as it is a Democratic one two terms; and we can see no good reason why they should be set aside for men of doubtful Democracy, that have no better passport than reformed drunkards.

Resolved, That the "Tenth Legion" of Democracy is at this time well entitled to the office of Canal Commissioner. We, therefore, instruct the Delegates to vote for men known to be friendly to that sterling Democrat, Gen. H. S. Mott, for said office.

Resolved, That the Connellsville Railroad connecting with the seaboard by Baltimore, is called for by the true interests and welfare of our county, and to this place, given at the time of the county subscription to the Central Road, we now ask the Commissioners to carry out in good faith the spirit and intention of the compact of the Pittsburgh delegation, in their injustice to Western Pennsylvania.

Resolved, That the silence now making by the Commissioners to lessen the expenditures of the county, by taking the jail under their supervision, is worthy of the commendation of the tax-payers of the county.

Meeting in Peebles Township.

At a meeting of the Democrats of Peebles township, held at the school house in said township, (East Liberty,) on Saturday Feb. 12th, 1853, at three o'clock, P. M., Dr. Robert Wilson was called to the Chair, and Andrew Menold appointed Secretary.

After marking for delegates to attend the Democratic County Convention, on Wednesday next, Dr. Jonas R. M'Clintock and Dr. A. H. Gross were declared elected by a unanimous vote.

On motion, it was Resolved, That the Delegates, without instructions, should use every honorable means to secure a representation from this county to the State Convention that will guarantee the nomination of such standard-bearers for the fall campaign as will confer honor on the old Keystone. By order.

R. WILSON, Chairman.

ANDREW MENOLD, Secretary.

THE STRAW BONNET BUSINESS.—A new establishment for the manufacture of straw bonnets has been organized on an extensive scale in Foxborough, Massachusetts. It is calculated to turn out ten thousand straw bonnets a year.—This business is carried on, also, very extensively in Philadelphia by a number of firms. All the manufacturers in the whole United States use a straw braid which is imported from Italy, France, and Switzerland, and which is imported in pieces packed in boxes.—Machinery is not used in the operation, and the females employed make good wages. The establishment above alluded to employs 2000 females and 150 men; but not more than one-fourth of them work in the factory, they being paid by the piece. The same is the case here.

LOUISIANA U. S. SENATOR.—Hon. J. P. Benjamin, the new U. S. Senator from Louisiana, is contended, is ineligible, because it is said he is a foreigner, and also because of his being elected previous to the adoption of the present constitution of Louisiana, which was a few months ago remodelled. The National Intelligencer publishes a statement prepared by a private citizen of Louisiana, not connected with politics, by which it appears that Mr. Benjamin will be prepared by record evidence to show that he is a citizen of the United States. The statement says:

"He came to the United States when about five years old. His father presented his petition setting forth the names and ages of his children, and was duly naturalized, which made his minor children citizens. That is the record evidence he has."

☞ The Huntingdon and Broadtop Railroad Company is the name of a company recently organized to construct a railroad from the line of the Pennsylvania canal at or near Huntingdon, to the bituminous coal field on Broadtop mountain, in Huntingdon, Bedford and Fulton counties. The coal is said to be very superior bituminous, white-ash, burns freely, leaving no cinder, and makes an exellent coke. A survey of the route has been made, and the cost ascertained to be about $300,000. Of that amount about one-half has been secured, and for the balance books have been opened in Philadelphia.

RAVAGES OF THE YELLOW FEVER AT ST. THOMAS.—The *Worcester Transcript* publishes a statement extracted from a letter received in that city, from Capt. Perkins, of ship Palmyra, arrived at New Orleans from St. Thomas, confirming previous accounts of the terrible ravages of the yellow fever there. The Palmyra lost two more of her men on the voyage to New Orleans, making ten in all since her first arrival at St. Thomas. The Palmyra took the body of the United States Consul at St. Thomas to New Orleans.—He died of the fever, and his secretary was taken down with the disorder on the passage and narrowly escaped death.

☞ The Uncle Tom Excitement in Paris appears to have just begun. Mustard has composed a Schottisch called Uncle Tom; Marx has published a quadrille, also called Uncle Tom and M. Michiels announces a "Pensee Fugitive," entitled Eva liquorice is now called "Uncle Tom candy;" and a new play, founded on the story, has been produced at the Ambigu. Uncle Tom is a secondary character. He does not die in the piece, but gets off with a hasting *Ah*. The chief interest is centred in Eliza.—The scenery is said to be exceedingly splendid.

Schools in Massachusetts.

A report by the Secretary of the Massachusetts Board of Education, gives a full account of the condition of the schools of the State. It appears from this, that during the year 1851-2, the number of public schools in the State was 4,056; the number of scholars was in summer 185,752, and in winter 199,183—the average attendance being respectively, 136,309 in summer, and 152,645 in winter. The number of teachers, summer and winter, was 2,454 males and 6,456 females. The average length of schools was 7 months and 15 days, and the average wages of male teachers was $87 26 per month, and of females $15 36. The amount of money raised by taxes for the support of schools, including only the wages of teachers, board and fuel, was $910,216 04. This is exclusive of $39,778 87 voluntarily contributed, and $25,858 25, the income of school funds belonging to towns or districts. The income of the State School Fund distributed among the towns, was $41,658 22.

Besides the public schools, there are 71 incorporated and 749 unincorporated academies and private schools in the State, with an average of 16,131 scholars.

The Secretary, in commenting upon the tables, gives some facts and figures to show the increased interest which is taken in the public schools and the progress of education in the State. In 1841-2, the money raised for schools by tax was an average of $2 79 for every child in the State between four and sixteen; in 1851-2, the average was $4 49 for each child in the State between five and fifteen. In the appropriation of money raised by tax from 1841-2 to 1851-2, inclusive, the increase was 76 per cent., while the increase of population was only about 35 per cent.

In 1841-2 the number of public schools was 3,198; in 1851-2, the number had increased to 4,056—27 per cent. The number of teachers and the average attendance has proportionably increased.

Democratic Republican State Convention.

The first Democratic Republican State Convention held in Ohio for eighteen years, will convene on the 22d inst., at Columbus. It has been called together by the central committee of the late Whig party.—*Forest City, O. A. Journal, Akron Beacon, and other Whig papers.*

That is what we call

"Stealing the livery of Heaven,
To serve the Devil in."

It is necessary for horse-thieves, pickpockets, thimble riggers, and other Jeremy Diddlers, sometimes to have a change of names. As often as their rascalitics became notorious under a certain cognomen, it is policy for them to resort to some new name, in order to escape the judgments of the law and the ignominy of the people. Political black-legs of course are influenced by the same policy, and the leaders of the *late* whig party in Ohio are making a desperate effort to get clear of their old party title and doing out that has been made respectable by its antiquity, and generally the sure pressage of party victory.

"A good name," says the good book, "is better than precious ointment." So, too, think a few of the galvanized remains of the defunct whig party, and therefore they are going to steal a good name, viz: "Democratic Republicans."—Should the Democratic party proper surrender to the whigs their ancient title, they could not fool the people long with the mere name, so long as their principles remained unchanged. They would so disgrace it in a single administration as to bring it into national disrepute. That party have already used up a whole dictionary of once very respectable names, such as "Federalists," "National Republicans," "Peace Party," "Home League," "Democratic Whigs," "Clay," "Adams," "Webster," "Whig party," and a score we cannot now remember. Now, they propose to discard all these for the euphonious appellation of "Democratic Republicans." This is a short cut to glory. The sooner it is tried on the better.

"The horse and its rider shall be thrown into the sea." [*Dibdin.*

—*Cleveland Plaindealer.*

Resignation of Senator Stockton.

The following is the letter from Senator Stockton to Gov. Fort, of New Jersey, resigning his position as United States Senator from that State:

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8, 1853.

To His Excellency, E. F. Fort,
Governor of New-Jersey:

SIR:—With a high appreciation of the honor and responsibility of my position, and with a grateful sense of my obligations to my constituents for their confidence and support during the brief time I have represented them in the Councils of the Nation, I beg leave to tender my resignation as a Senator of the United States from New Jersey, to take effect on or after the 4th of March next. Your Excellency will be pleased to submit this communication to the Legislature during their present session.

Faithfully, your obedient servant,
R. F. STOCKTON.

The impression generally prevails that Commodore STOCKTON will occupy the place of Secretary of the Navy, under the administration of President PIERCE. If such should be the case, he will have an opportunity of introducing those important reforms into that Department of the public service, upon which his mind has set for a long time. The Navy of the United States certainly requires a thorough re-organization.

The Lost Bourbon.

The editor of the *Courier des Etats Unis* has visited Mr. Williams, and expresses high gratification with the interview. It says that "Mr. Williams has the air of entire good faith; and if after conversing with him, and studying his appearance at one's leisure, the visiter does not find himself disposed to pursue the inquiry of which Mr. Williams is the subject; for he cannot persuade himself that under this exterior of frankness and good nature there is concealed the dupe or the imposter." The editor perceives in Mr. Williams' aspect "some striking analogies to certain phylognomical traits of the Bourbon family," and declares that Mr. Williams recalls perfectly to his imagination Louis XVIII., whose countenance is fully impressed upon his memory. He adds—"the sight of the respectable missionary, while it confessedly does not bring direct conviction, is certainly very far from forbidding it." He found this Indian missionary "in an unpretended apartment of a very plain hotel," and was received in a cordial and modest manner, which it seems to have won his respect and confidence.

Enthusiastic Reception of Mr. Meagher at Fall River.

FALL RIVER, Feb. 11, 1853.

Mr. Meagher arrived here this afternoon, in the steamboat from Providence. On approaching the harbor, he was received with a salute of thirty-two brass field pieces, and the wild huzzas of thousands of people. Phineas W. Leland, Esq., M. D.; Foster Hooker, Esq., M. D.; James Guffington, Esq.; R. T. Davis, Esq.; G. O. Fairbanks, Esq.; Lewis Lapham, Esq., and a large number of distinguished citizens, were in attendance at the wharf, and welcomed him to Fall River.

Mr. Meagher proceeded in a carriage to the Exchange Hotel, where, being called upon repeatedly, he appeared on the balcony, amid the utmost enthusiasm, and thanked the people for their kind reception. He lectures this evening, and all the tickets are disposed of.

As I send this, an Irish band is serenading him. Nothing can equal the enthusiasm in his favor. The recent attacks upon him have aroused an extraordinary feeling in his behalf, and he will carry all before him.

DEFEAT OF THE RUSSIANS IN CIRCASSIA.—The latest accounts from Circassia, generally suppressed in the Russian journals, are to the effect that the Russians have lately met with several severe checks at the hands of the Circassians, having been obliged to abandon many of the strong places in that country which they captured last year. The Circassians had also broken the blockade of the Russian fleet of the Circassian sea, and several vessels had arrived at Bagdad and Constantinople with cargoes of slaves.

WEBSTER'S WORKS.—The New York Journal of Commerce states that the six large 8vo volumes, constituting the works of Daniel Webster, have already passed through seven editions, and that another is immediately to be put to press. Two volumes of his letters are expected to be published in about four months, which we doubt not will be intensely interesting. Several hundred letters have already been collected by the gentleman having the matter in charge, and others are coming to light daily.

For the Morning Post.

THE DECLARATION.

BY WILLIAM W. REECE.

[As it is about Valentine time, and many might rack their brains and still be at a loss for language sufficiently strong, and similies sufficiently striking, to convey an idea of their passion—we furnish the following, compiled from various sources, by which much trouble and anxious care will be saved to those who may avail themselves of our materials.]

On a licensed day like this,
Will thou let me, dearest Miss,
All my love for thee record
In a sweet and simple word?
You I love, nor think I joke,
More than ivy does the oak.
More than fishes do the flood,
More than savage beasts the wood,
More than heroes do a battle,
More than drovers driving cattle,
More than babies do a rattle,
More than women's tittle-tattle,
More than skates do the ice,
More than cats do catching mice,
More than friars do their beads,
More than jockeys do their steeds,
More than brutin does to hug,
More than topers do their jug,
More than Dutchmen do their pipe,
Lager beer, and 'krout and tripe,
More than Yankee's stick and knife;
More than children do their mothers,
More than I could love your brothers,
More than sailors do the sea,
More than spinsters "*taking tea*;"
More by far than you love me,
More than all things I love thee.

*Old women, of course.
PITTSBURGH, Feb. 14, 1853.

Items of News and Miscellany.

The people of Vermont voted yesterday on the question of the Maine Liquor Law. We have returns from several towns, which foot up—For the law, 2,043—Against it, 1,600. The State has undoubtedly gone for it. A later dispatch gives a majority in 32 towns of 2,030 for the law.

The Manchester (Mass.) Mirror says that counterfeit three cent pieces are quite common there. They are clumsily executed.

The Senate of Michigan has passed a bill for the construction of the the Saut St. Marie canal. It provides for locks 350 feet long and 70 feet wide, with two basins.

The Anti-Liquor Law has passed the Rhode Island House by a vote of 39 to 27.

The Wytheville (Va.) Telegraph advocates the manufacture of the railroad iron of the Virginia and Tennessee railroad at the company's iron works in Lynchburg, in place of buying English iron; showing a difference of $8 60 per ton in favor of American iron, $190,060 on the quantity of iron required for the whole road.

Experiments ordered to be made in packing pork, about a year ago, by the Secretary of War, to test the relative qualities of Onondaga solar salt and Turks Island, show, it is said, that the former is equal to the best Turks Island brought to this country, for packing purposes. Pork is preserved equally well by both.

Frederick Walcott watched the trains on the Erie road, and employed others to do the same, till he was able to prove forty-five violations of the statute in not ringing the bell at crossings.—He sued the company in the name of the people. The jury brought in a verdict of nine hundred dollars. One half of this sum goes to the complainant.

A convention of Delegates from the banks in New England was held in Boston on Wednesday. The attendance was very large, and fifteen managers were chosen to effect the desired ends of the society.

Parrott's building in San Francisco, of one hundred feet front, seventy or eighty feet deep, and four stories high, all of solid granite, was put up in Canton, block by block, by Chinese workmen; and the blocks being all numbered, the building was then taken down, put aboard ship, brought across the Pacific, and re-erected in San Francisco by the same hands.

It is stated that the wealthiest and most influential commercial organization in Europe has determined to send an agent to the United States for the purpose of ascertaining whether or not the cotton growers of the Southern States are disposed to throw off the Liverpool monopoly of cotton. The proposition is to create a *continental depot for cotton.*

The Racine *Advocate*, after calling attention to the low terms of its subscription, adds, "that it must be understood that this is the price of the *paper*, not the *editor* of it.

Gen. James N. Bethune has just commenced at Columbus, Ga., a weekly paper, styled the "Corner Stone." In his salutary the editor very coolly announces that this print shall be devoted to the *dissolution of the Federal Union.*

It is stated in the Louisville papers that the city council of Newport, Ky., have subscribed $50,000, and the citizens $100,000, which is promised to be increased to $150,000, in the stock of the Newport branch of the Louisville and Frankfort Railroad Company. In addition to the above, some $400,000 has been subscribed by other parties on the line of the road.

The last bit of gossip from Italy mentions the probable marriage of Grace Greenwood with a wealthy American whom she captured in Rome.

The brig "Tally Ho," chartered by the New York committee for the relief of the sufferers in Madeira, has obtained her clearance, and will sail immediately. She has on board 6636 bushels of corn, 291 barrels of flour and 400 pounds of rice, besides small quantities of other provisions.

Rules Relative to Pensions.

The following joint rules have been adopted by the Committees on Pensions in our State Legislature, to govern their action in granting Pensions and Gratuities:

1st. Two months' service in the Revolutionary or Indian wars prior to the treaty with Indians at Granville, in 1795, shall entitle the soldier or the widow to a gratuity of forty dollars.

2d. Four months' service as aforesaid shall entitle the applicants to an annuity of forty dollars, payable half yearly, to commence on the first of January, 1853.

3d. Widows of soldiers of the Revolutionary or Indian wars, shall be entitled to a gratuity or pension, as the case may be, according to the services performed by their husbands.

4th. Proof by one or more creditable witnesses, that the services were performed in the Pennsylvania line of militia, will be required. But in case the applicant makes oath or affirmation that positive evidence cannot be obtained in relation to services rendered, then the following will be received: A detailed statement of the time and kind of service performed by the applicant, and the officer under whom he served, verified by his own oath or affirmation, and accompanied by the deposition of two or more respectable persons, stating that they are acquainted with the petitioner—that he is worthy of credit—that they believe his statement to be true—and that he is generally reputed by those who have known him to have been in the Revolutionary or Indian war. The respectability of the witnesses to be certified by one justice of the peace of the neighborhood where they reside, or by one or more members of the Legislature; and the like evidence shall be received in support of the application of widows of soldiers of the Revolutionary or Indian war.

5th. The applicant must set forth, in his or her petition or accompanying documents, the services performed, and the length of time served, to which statement he or she must be sworn or affirmed.

6th. No person who has been allowed a gratuity at a former session will be allowed another.

7th. A certified copy from the War Department, of the documents on which a pension was procured from the United States, for a soldier of the Revolution, will be considered evidence of the right of the widow to a gratuity or pension, agreeable to the rules aforesaid: *Provided however*, that the widow shall, in all cases, prove her identity, by the oath or affirmation of some person or persons having a knowledge thereof, or by general reputation.

8th. Proof of the petitioner being in necessitous circumstances will be required in all cases, or a certificate from a member of the Legislature, stating that he knows personally the petitioner to be poor, and in need of assistance.

Great Flood in the Susquehanna.—Bridges carried away.—Great Destruction of Property.

HARRISBURGH, Feb. 10.—The flood in the Susquehanna, which did so much damage here, proves, as was feared, to have been much more destructive higher up the river. The waters have been so high that no communication could be had with the region that has suffered most, and the telegraph being carried away also, the following account, obtained from the first passenger who has been able to reach this place from Sunbury, gives the first particulars of the flood.

The rains that fell in the latter part of last week caused a rise in both the North and West Branches, as well as in all their tributaries. It commenced on Saturday, and rose with unprecedented rapidity, until both rivers were running furiously, and the main river was swollen immensely. Pine, Lycoming, and Loyalsock creeks were higher than ever known. The West Branch however, was not so high as it was two years ago. Fortunately Sunday night being very cold, the flood was checked, or the d mage might have been much more expensive. The particulars of the damage, as far as known, are as follows:

The bridges on the Williamsport and Elmira railroad are swept away. They were old, and to be rebuilt at any rate.

The road bridge over the Susquehanna at Jersey Shore was swept away. One half of it lodged about four miles above Williamsport, and the other was carried against the bridge at Williamsport, which was knocked some eight feet out of line on the western span. That it was not carried away is a miracle, and its ability to resist the shock and the continued flood does great credit to Mr. Faries, the builder.

The Pine creek acquedust was also carried away and lodged against the Williamsport bridge: It was a new structure, only two spans being up. Mr. Kelton, the supervisor, is confident that it can be rebuilt in time for the opening of navigation.

The bridge across the Shamokin, below Sunbury, was carried away, and floated down to Duncan's Island. Another bridge across the Shamokin, on the road from Sunbury to Pottsville, was also carried away.

The new State docks in the canal at Northumberland were entirely inundated, but it was believed they were not much damaged. The canal banks had to be broken in various places to let the water run off into the river.

In Williamsport the cellars in the lower part of the town were filled with water, but no material damage was done. No houses were swept away, and no lives lost, as far as heard from. The people were waiting with much anxiety for accounts from above, but the roads being flooded, there had been no communication. From Saturday until Tuesday no stages had arrived at Northumberland or Williamsport.

Many logs were carried away by the flood, but most of them will be recovered. There was fortunately no ice in the river, or the destruction would have been much greater.

RESULT OF CHEAP FARES.—It is stated that since the reduction of fare to Albany on the Harlem road, the receipts for through business have increased 50 per cent. This is another practical demonstration of what has been so often asserted and proven, that low fares almost invariably bring an increase of revenue. Many railroad companies now charging exorbitant rates, and doing little more than paying current expenses, we have not a doubt would be astonished themselves at the increase of their receipts, were they to evince a little more of the spirit of the age, and reduce their fares just one half.

Worms! Worms!

☞ Various theories have been started relative to the origin of intestinal Worms, and yet the question is still a vexed one among medical authorities. Of one fact, however, all are informed, and in which all agree—the fatal nature of the influence they exert on children. At this season of the year the attacks of worms are most frequent as well as most dangerous. We take great pleasure in directing the attention of parents to the Vermifuge of Dr. McLane. It is one of the most extraordinary medicines ever introduced to the public, and has never failed of success when tried.

☞ Beware of Counterfeits!

For sale by most of the Druggists and Merchants, and by the sole proprietors. J. KIDD & CO.,
feb12d4w 60 Wood street.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

DRIED APPLES—20 bus, in store and for sale by
feb15 KING & MOORHEAD.

N. O. SUGAR—75 hhds. in store and for sale by
feb15 KING & MOORHEAD.

REFINED SUGARS—Powdered, Crushed and Loaf, in store and for sale by
feb15 KING & MOORHEAD.

TEAS—100 half chests Imperial, Gunpowder, Young Hyson and Black, for sale by
feb15 KING & MOORHEAD.

TOBACCO—Russell & Robinson, Grant, Webster Old's, and other popular brands, in store and for sale by
feb15 KING & MOORHEAD.

MOLASSES—300 bbls. New Orleans:
50 do Syrup and Sugar House;
in store and for sale by
feb15 KING & MOORHEAD.

SUNDRIES—200 boxes 8 by 10 Glass;
300 kegs assorted Nails;
23 doz. half Tow Bags;
50,000 Common Cigars;
For sale by
feb15 KING & MOORHEAD.

DR. BANNING'S PATENT LACE AND BODY BRACE
ALSO—A receipt on the disease in which it is applicable.
For sale at
feb15d4w KEYSER'S Drug Store,
140 Wood street, Pittsburgh, Pa.

THREE DWELLING HOUSES FOR SALE—50 feet front on Strawberry alley, by 120 deep; contains two frame houses on the front, and a large Brick House, of four rooms and hall in the rear, with large yard, grape vines, cherry trees, &c. Price $2,000. Terms accommodating.
R. RUTHERFORD & SON,
feb15 Real Estate Agents, 140 Third street.

Chartiers Valley Railroad.

THE undersigned Commissioners, John H. Ewing, John Bausman, L. P. Hitchcock, Jacob Morgan, W. S. Calohan, George S. Hays, James O'H. Denny, Frederick Lorenz, George Ledlie, Mansfield Brown, Charles H. Paulson, John Boyce, Thomas Watson, John Weaver, Daniel Houston, Robert McKnight, David T. Morgan, Thomas Bakewell, J. K. Moorhead, William Larimer, Jr., Lecky Harper, and William McDaniel, will meet at the Monongahela House, on Friday, the 18th day of February, instant, at 10 o'clock, A. M. Punctual attendance is requested.
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PROF. RAINEY.

WILL deliver *ONE MORE LECTURE*, by invitation, on FRIDAY EVENING, the 18th instant, on the CALORIC ENGINE, exhibiting his Model, and explaining all the beauties, benefits and intricacies of this novel machine.

The Lecture will commence at 7½ o'clock.

The peculiar points of this Engine for River Navigation, will be particularly noticed.

Tickets 25 cents; to be had at the Hotels, Bookstores, and Machine Shops. feb15

Orphans' Court Sale.

DAVID HOWARD, Administrator of ELIJAH AKIN, deceased, will expose at public sale, on SATURDAY, the 12th day of March, 1853, at 2 o'clock, P. M., on the premises, by order of the Orphans' Court of Allegheny county, all those certain THREE LOTS OF GROUND, situated in the borough of Lawrenceville, Allegheny county, Pa. On which are erected one three story Brick Building, with frame back building and frame Stable. Said premises are located near the bank of the Allegheny river, above the wall of the United States Arsenal, and adjoining lands late of Samuel Ewalt. Terms made known at the sale.

LEVI HOWARD,
feb14d4t&2tw Administrator of Elijah Akin, dec'd.

Great Missionary Festival.

THE Ladies of the Methodist Churches in the two cities and vicinity, will give a Supper at LAFAYETTE HALL, corner of Wood and Fourth streets, on *Thursday evening* next, the 17th instant; the avails of which will be appropriated for Home Missions. There will be three Suppers during the evening. Short addresses will be delivered by Bishop Simpson and others. Tickets can be had from the Committee, or at the door; also, at the principal Hotels and Book Stores. Tickets $1,00; children half price.

Editors will confer a favor on the Ladies engaged in this enterprise, by inserting this notice in their papers, until Thursday morning. feb14t

☞ **Young Men's Mercantile Library Association** AND MECHANICS' INSTITUTE.—A LECTURE, (the second in the course,) will be delivered before this Association, at *MASONIC HALL*, on *Tuesday evening*, the 22d instant, by the Rev. W. D. Howe. Subject: "The Life and Labors of John Howard, the Philanthropist."

Tickets of admission 25 cents: to be had at the principal Bookstores, the Library Rooms, and at the door; also, of the Directors, and Lecture Committee.

HENRY WOODS,
JOHN K. HOLMES,
W. H. RINGLAND,
J. M. KIRKPATRICK, } Lecture Com.
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NEW MUSIC!

THE PHILENA SCHOTTISCH—
Composed by Henry Rohlock;
The Twin Rose Schottisch—
Composed by Henry Rohlock;
The above are the first copies received from the publishers.
Lone Starry Hours;
Home Again;
My Old Kentucky Home, Good Night;
Old Folks at Home;
Wait for the Wagon;
Maggie by My Side—by Foster;
Night Winds—by W. V. Wallace;
Gipsy Schottisch—by Browne;
Midnight Schottisch;
A new lot of the Piano without a Master, containing fifty pieces of music. Price 50 cents.
A new lot of Pianos just arriving, for sale by
feb15 J. H. MELLOR, 81 Wood street.

Allegheny Valley Rail-Road Letting.

SEALED PROPOSALS will be received at the Company's office, in 4th street, Pittsburgh, until the 22d of February, 1853, for doing the grading, Masonry and Bridging on the portion of said road, between Pittsburgh and Kittanning, Armstrong county, a distance of 42 miles. The line will be divided into sections of about one mile in length, and bids may be made for one or more, or all of said sections.

Plans, profiles and specifications will be ready for inspection, on and after the 5th day of February.

Proposals will be received for the Grading, Masonry and Bridging, and also for the superstructure and finishing said 42 miles complete (except furnishing Iron). Bids will be received and considered for the entire work, (except furnishing Iron, from Pittsburgh to the New York State line. Satisfactory references will be expected from bidders not personally known to the Company. For further information, application may be made personally or by letter to Hon. William F. Johnston, President of the Company, to Geo. R. Richburn Esq., Associate Engineer, or to the subscriber.

W. MILNOR ROBERTS, Chief Engineer.

By order of the Board of Managers.
Office of the Allegheny Valley R. R. Co.,
Dec. 20th, 1852. jan1

Election Notice.

THE Annual Election for officers for the Company for erecting a bridge over the Allegheny River, opposite Pittsburgh, in the County of Allegheny," will be holden in the St. Clair Hotel, in the City of Pittsburgh, on MONDAY, the 7th of March, proximo, at 1 o'clock, P. M.

JOHN HARPER, Treasurer.

☞ **Scrofula**!—It has been remarked by eminent men, that in the varied catalogue of diseases to which man is liable, there is scarcely one of such importance and of such interest, as Scrofula, whether we look to the obscurity of its origin, its insidious progress, the number and variety of organs that it attacks, or its remarkable incurability and extensive fatality.

Scrofula has baffled the skill of the most eminent physicians in this country and in Europe. But there is an antidote in this disease in "*Dr. Dupaulo's Extract of Yellow Dock and Sarsaparilla*," which is proving itself a *Specific* in the most cases of *Scrofula*.

☞ See advertisement. jan13:6tsw

☞ **Low Spirits, Hypochondriac**, want of energy and capacity for business or disposition to enjoy life and happiness, are wretched complaints which silently prey upon the constitution of the unhappy object. They are usually brought on through troubles and afflictions of the mind, sedentary habits, confined air and close application to study. They are sometimes attended with loss of appetite, indigestion, dyspepsia, nervous debility, frightful dreams, and a pallid, unhealthy, downcast countenance. Now, while these melancholy disorders exist, the bright sparkling eye leaves its wonted lustre—the mind is poverty-stricken and vivacity—the body its manly courage and vigor, and the noblest feelings of our nature gradually develde away to a fretful peevish temper, until life becomes a burthen, and other diseases arise to shorten the existence of the wretched victim.

A balm for these horrible disorders will be found in that excellent article, HALSET'S FOREST WINE!

☞ See large advertisement in another column.

Sold Wholesale and Retail by Dr. GEO. H. KEYSER, 140, corner of Wood street and Virgin alley, Pittsburgh, Pa; also, by JA