CITY COUNCILS.

A regular stated meeting of Councils was held yesterday morning.

SELECT BRANCH.

President LYND in the chair.

PETITIONS.

Mr. SPERING (U.) presented a petition from citizens of the Tenth ward, praying for a repeal of that part of the ordinance relating to nuisances which prevents the display of goods upon the sidewalk.

Mr. MARCUS (O.) presented a similar petition signed by more than five hundred business men of the lower section of the city.

Mr. GRAY (U.) presented a memorial from the police force, asking for an increase of either their salaries or the amount allowed them for clothing. They also said that an arrangement be made by which they can obtain cash for their warrants without suffering a discount. *Referred to a special committee.*

Mr. ZANN (U.) presented two petitions similar to those presented by Messrs. Marcus and Spering, and also an ordinance repealing the sections 10 and 17 of the ordinance relating to nuisances. These are the sections objected to in the petitions.

Mr. BRIGHTLY (O.) said that the existing ordinance merely gave the police an easy method of removing what was a violation of an act of Assembly. He urged a consideration of the subject before the repeal of the ordinance. He said that the occupancy of the sidewalk is always illegal, and that, if the proposed ordinance be passed, the sidewalks would be completely at the disposal of storekeepers.

Mr. ZANN (U.) defended the ordinance. He said that a general depreciation of property would ensue if this ordinance were not passed. The property owners of Market street represented that the sections objected to be repealed their property will suffer a depreciation of from twenty-five to fifty per cent.

The further consideration of the subject was postponed.

ELECTION OF MANAGERS OF WILLS HOSPITAL.

Mr. FREEMAN (U.) moved to go into an election for managers of *Wills Hospital*. This being agreed to, Messrs. Robert Coane, Joseph C. Turpenny, and John L. Hart were nominated by Mr. Freeman, and elected without opposition.

THE BOUNTY FUND.

A communication from Mr. J. King, the President of the City Bounty Fund Commission, stating that the money appropriated for the payment of bounties which had not been called for before the first meeting of Councils the commission would be entirely out of funds, was received.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Printing and Supplies reported an ordinance appropriating $18,968 to pay the expenses of the clerks of Councils.

Mr. BRIGHTLY (O.) opposed the bill as exorbitant in amount. He said that the amount appropriated for printing and carriage hire was entirely too large.

The bill was defended at length by Mr. ZANN (U.), and finally passed.

The Committee on Railroads reported an ordinance authorizing a railroad track to be laid across Buttonwood street, upon Fifteenth street, from an iron foundry. Agreed to.

Mr. GIRVIGIUS, the chairman of the special committee on the reception and entertainment of the Boston Councilmen on their recent visit to the city, reported an ordinance to appropriate $917.75 to pay the bills of that entertainment. A spicy debate ensued upon the subject between Messrs. Brightly, McElroy, Uhler, Cattell, and Gimbodo, who all declared the charge excessive. The bill passed.

The ordinance to lease the City Railroad tracks to the Pennsylvania Railroad Company was called up and debated at length. The bill was finally postponed indefinitely.

The bill to lease the Shiffler Hose Company, vetoed by the Mayor, was passed over the veto.

The bill from Common Council fixing the tax rate was called up.

Mr. FREEMAN moved to amend by fixing the poll tax at $1 instead of 25 cents.

Lost. Mr. Freeman then moved to fix the rate at $3 was lost.

Several other amendments were voted down, and the bill passed finally. Adjourned.

COMMON BRANCH.

President HARPER (U.) in the chair.

THE WATER APPROPRIATION.

Mr. SIMPSON (U.) presented a resolution requesting the Mayor to return without his signature an ordinance making an appropriation of $20,000 to the Water Department. Agreed to.

CITY BOUNTY MONEY.

A communication from the Bounty Fund Committee, stating that the appropriation for the payment of city bounties was nearly exhausted, and asking for an additional appropriation. Referred to Committee on Defence and Protection.

STOREKEEPERS' DISPLAYS.

Petitions from a large number of storekeepers, asking for the repeal of an ordinance prohibiting the display of goods in front of their stores, were received and read.

Mr. WOLBERT (O.) moved to refer the matter to a joint committee of five from each Chamber. After considerable debate the resolution passed. The chair appointed Messrs. Wolbert, Brady, Billington, Bumm, and Lamb.

SALARIES OF THE POLICE.

Mr. WOLBERT (O.) presented a petition from the police force, asking that their salaries be paid when due, or that they be increased. Referred to a special committee of three from each Chamber. The chair appointed Messrs. Wolbert, Cresswell, and Barry.

COMMUNICATIONS.

A communication from Mr. Holtingsworth, asking that damages done to his property, 609 Chestnut street, by a Democratic parade, amounting to $282, be paid, was referred to Committee on Finance.

A communication from Mr. Florence, asking that damages be paid him for injuries suffered by him on the turning of a step on a street in Manayunk, was referred to Committee on Claims.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Mr. POTTER (U.) offered a resolution approving Thos. K. Finletter and Benjamin H. Brewster as sureties for Thomas Dickson, City Commissioner elect. Agreed to.

Mr. POTTER (U.) from the Committee on Finance, presented an ordinance to levy and fix the tax rates for 1865. It authorizes and requires the City Commissioner to return a tax of $2 50 on the assessed value of the real estate in the city, and of twenty-five cents on every citizen. The $2.50 is apportioned as follows:

City purposes	14
Schools	44
Lighting the city	22
Interest on funded debt	1 20
Highways	22
Miscellaneous	27
	$2 50

Mr. LOUGHLIN (O.) spoke in favor of the bill. There is a bill before the Chamber providing for letting personal property, and that bill would probably be passed. Real estate had heretofore borne the entire burden of taxation, and he thought it proper that personal property should bear its part. The ordinance passed.

The same committee offered a resolution providing for the funding of $2,500,000 of the floating debt of the city. Agreed to.

HIGHWAYS.

Mr. TAYLOR (U.), chairman of the Committee on Highways, reported an ordinance providing for the opening of Southampton street from Spring House to the pike to Chestnut Hill Railroad. Passed.

POOR.

Mr. MAHONEY (U.), from the Committee on Poor, offered an ordinance transferring certain items of appropriation to the Guardians of the Poor. Passed.

MARKETS.

Mr. TAYLOR (U.), from the Committee on Markets, offered an ordinance to abolish street markets.

Mr. LOUGHLIN (U.) wanted time to inquire into the matter. It was urged by those favoring the passage of the bill that those people who stand with marketing would be compelled to rent stalls in the market. He wanted to inquire whether there was room in the markets for these people. He moved to postpone for one week.

Mr. SPERING (U.) favored the postponement of the bill.

Messrs. HARPER, BARRY, ECKERSON, CRESSWELL, and others favored its immediate passage.

The motion to postpone was lost, but on a motion to suspend the rules a two-thirds vote was not obtained, and the ordinance lies over for further action.

Select and Common Councils, in joint convention, selected by acclamation, for directors of Pennsylvania Central Railroad Company, Messrs. John Rice, John M. Kennedy, and John Derbyshire; for directors of Northwestern Railroad Company, Messrs. Peter Fritz, H. Nelson Burroughs, and Norris W. Harkness.

THE HIGHWAY DEFICIENCY BILL.

Mr. STORKEY (O.), chairman of the Committee on Highways deficiency bill of 1862 and 1863, reported an ordinance appropriating $17,047.10 to pay deficiencies of those years. It sets forth that there were some three hundred bills to examine, with a number of witnesses to substantiate each bill. The amount of money necessary to pay the claims in the original bill referred to them by the Mayor, of which the bill to pay supervisors, amounting to $9,229.23, was a part. The committee have disapproved of bills amounting to $9,017.91. The ordinance passed.

A number of bills from Select Council were concurred in.

Mr. LOUGHLIN (O.) offered an ordinance appropriating $100,000 for the relief of the families of volunteers. Agreed to. Adjourned.

THE POLICE.

(Before Mr. Alderman Beltler.)

THE RECENT ROBBERIES—INTERESTING DEVELOPMENTS.

At the Central Station yesterday afternoon some very interesting developments were made in regard to several of the daring robberies that have been committed recently in this city. The office was pretty well crowded with witnesses and spectators. The following named prisoners were arraigned: John Gallagher and Benjamin Dickson, James Dowd, alias Reddy, George Williams, alias Anderson, Charles Ward, alias 'Big Charlie; Henry Allen, alias Codger, alias Crowley. The developments in this case are rather complicated, because there are no less than three robberies traced to the several parties, though they did not act jointly in purpose. Arranged them, according to the evidence elicited at the hearing. The arrests were made by Detectives Lamon and Bartholomew, and Officer H. J. Robinson. When the parties were arraigned the following interesting colloquy occurred between Prisoner Dickson and Magistrate Beitler, the latter not being in a very good humor:

Prisoner. Can't I have counsel in this case, sir?

Magistrate. You can have a lawyer when the proper time comes.

Prisoner. When is the proper time?

Magistrate. When you go to the penitentiary.

Prisoner. There is far more villainy behind than before the bar. (Laughter.)

The ominous word, "silence," from an official mouth, resounded through the station.

The names of the prisoners having been called, the case was investigated. We present a narrative of the proceedings, as the most convenient form for general reading. We may state that Allen is the same fellow who was arrested early on Wednesday morning, while in the act of pawning two coats stolen from the residence of Mr. Ouram, some time after eleven o'clock on Tuesday night. We gave a brief history of this thief yesterday. He was the "Oliver Twist" of a gang of thieves that infested Philadelphia between three and four years since.

On the night of the 12th, or the morning of the 13th of November, the store of Mr. Meyers, 712 South Second street, was burglariously entered and robbed of about five hundred dollars' worth of goods. Among the articles taken were several watches, a number of knives, a quantity of jewelry, a few pistols, and some other articles. As a preliminary incident to this robbery, it seems that a gentleman, named Richard E. Phillips, was in the Store on Saturday, 12th of November, and while in there, two men, now identified as John Gallagher and James Dowd, entered the store under pretext of purchasing a gold chain. While one of them was examining the chain the other made an inspection of the store. A sharp eye was kept upon both of them, and they did not succeed in taking anything. On the morning the robbery was discovered a burglar's jimmy was found upon the premises.

The next material point elicited was from a tall girl, gaudily dressed, giving the name of Anna Welsh. This girl lived at the Naval Hotel, 602 South Front street, where Mr. Detective Lamon had an interview with her. Her ears were adorned with a pair of showy rings, which she handed the officer at his request, he kindly assisting to remove them from her ears. She informed the detective that she bought these rings, and another pair, from Henry Allen. The other pair had either been given or sold to another girl. These were also recovered. These earrings were identified as the property of Mr. Meyers, taken from his store on the night of the same day when Gallagher and Dowd visited it.

When Benjamin Dickson was taken into custody, he was searched, and a handsome pocket knife was found upon him. He stated that he got it from Mr. Gallagher. This knife was identified as the property of Mr. Meyers. The next development in this catalogue of crime was made by Mr. John Bartley, a pawnbroker, who keeps his place near Seventh and South streets. He testified that George Williams pawned two coats with him on Wednesday morning. These were produced, and identified as the property of Mr. Ouram, whose dwelling was robbed after 11 o'clock on last Tuesday night. The most interesting part of this brief history of the doings of the thieves was made known by Caroline Finney, a colored woman, living at No. 633 in that classic thoroughfare known as Bacon's alley street. She testified that four of the prisoners came to her house about three-o'clock on Wednesday morning. A white man, named Frank, a dissipated fellow, with respectable relations, living at this place, stated that the prisoners brought with them a lot of clothing, and then went out and came in again. Some time after this George Williams, alias Anderson, came in and said "*Codger was copped.*" The remainder of the party then skedaddled.

Another point of interest was made known by Mrs. Ball, whose fireproof and contents were stolen from her saloon on Thanksgiving night. Among the articles taken from the room was a billy, or black jack. A weapon of this kind was found upon the person of Dowd, alias Reddy, by Officer Robinson. It was identified by Mrs. Ball as the one taken from her house. She also identified Benjamin Dickson and John Gallagher as the two persons in her saloon on Thanksgiving afternoon. Under the pretence of trying their personal strength they caught hold of the handles of the fireproof, and tried to lift it. Thus it will be seen that, by a chain of circumstances, made the stronger, by positive facts, the prisoners are implicated in at least three robberies. In addition to this, Tom Holland, the keeper of the McClellan House, on Dock street, and Lizzie Hart, one of the boarders, are also implicated in the safe robbery—that is, if the evidence is to be believed. The principal witness, however, against him is Emma Holland, (the sailor boy,) his wife. It is not legal, in cases like this, for a wife to testify against her husband. The detectives, however, state they have additional evidence that holds him "dead to rights," but it will not be developed until the day of trial. One thing is certain—this is the prettiest case of police work that has been done in this city for some time.

Philadelphia Markets.

We translate from the *Messager Franco-Americain*, of New York, the following amusing account of the doings of some accomplished Philadelphia pickpockets:

A French resident of New York, whose name we withhold at his request, went to Philadelphia a few days agoon matters of business. On the evening of the last day of his visit, he strolled out to see the sights, accompanied by a friend. At last, fatigued with walking, they entered a concert saloon to pass a pleasant hour, paying at the door the ten cents admission fee. They sat down to drink, and began to talk gaily in their own language. Their conversation, discursive in its character, at last turned upon the stupidity of these people who allow themselves to be robbed by pickpockets. Our New York friend, who little dreamed that anybody understood what he said, began to boast that he had never been a victim of the skill of these circle operators, and rather pitied those who lost their portemonnaies. The first glass had by this time been drank, and in the one who had boasted of the invulnerability of his pockets, pickle hand in one of those receptacles to find the wherewithal to pay the scot. But, lo! his pocket book was not there. It had vamoosed, without ceremony, of four or eight dollars in cash, and two checks for considerable sums. Where had it gone? Who was the thief?

In the following morning steps were taken to stop payment of the stolen checks, and the two banks on which they were drawn required a week's notice before they would pay over the money claimed. The victim of the robbery borrowed enough to return to New York, having made up his mind to wait a week for his cash. But he did not have to wait so long a period; for the morning after his arrival he received the following letter, postmarked Philadelphia:

"DEAR SIR: We return you your two checks, which we do not want, as they might dangerously involve us—your prompt action, in regard to them having been a little too quick for us. Enclosed, please also find two tickets for the same concert disturbed last night. Visit it once more, with your friend, but bring more money in your pockets than you had the last time. We don't like such small jobs.

"Yours, &c., PICKPOCKETS."

THE COURTS.

United States District Court—Judge Cadwalader.

CHARGE OF STEALING LETTERS FROM THE MAIL.

United States v. Andrew J. Smith. In this case, wherein the defendant is charged with stealing letters from the mail, the evidence yesterday was merely corroborative of that which had been previously heard on behalf of the United States, tending to prove the fact that defendant had frequently been seen to throw fragments of letters from the door of the mail-car, some of which, upon being picked up, proved to be parts of letters in course of transmission by mail.

The defence set up was good character, which was abundantly proven. Both sides having closed their testimony, the court adjourned until this morning.

Court of Oyer and Terminer and Quarter Sessions—Judges Thompson and Ludlow.

The case of the Commonwealth ex rel. Harris vs. Provost Marshal Frink, upon habeas corpus, was again up yesterday morning. Col. Frink presented an amended return, that the relator was not at the time of the service of the writ of habeas corpus in his custody or under his control, and that he had not been under his control since that time. To this return Mr. F. O. Brewster, for the relator, also objected that it was not a full and complete return, in this, that the Provost Marshal did not say that the relator had not been in his custody at any time, and if he had not been in custody he should set forth what disposition had been made of the relator.

Judge Thompson thought that the respondent should give more definite account of the matter, and directed that an amended return be made, showing into whose hands the relator had gone.

THE TRIAL OF EDWIN WALTON FOR MURDER CONTINUED.

The Commonwealth vs. Edwin Walton. The trial of this case was resumed yesterday. At an early hour the case for the Commonwealth closed, and the defence was opened by W. I. Boyle, Esq. The witnesses for the defence were to prove the allegations that the defendant, in using a pistol, was acting in self-defence; that, as a policeman, he was acting in the discharge of his duty when he endeavored to induce Mayberry and his companions to cease firing the gun, which was disturbing the peace of the neighbors in the vicinity, and that, when escaping, when Mayberry sought him out and began an altercation with him about the matter, that he was engaged in the performance of his duty, attempting to arrest decreased. The latter resisted, wrenched defendant's billy from his hand, cocked him, otherwise maltreated him, and when called upon to desist after they were separated, and after the prisoner had warned deceased that he would shoot, Mayberry continued to advance upon him, when the fatal shot was fired. A number of witnesses, policemen and others, were called in support of the allegation that the prisoner was acting in self-defence, and that he had just cause to be alarmed for his personal safety. It was also in evidence that some of the boys attached to the Hand-in-Hand Engine Company were unruly, and had caused the police in that neighborhood much trouble; that much difficulty existed to make an arrest of one of the members at night a rescue by others of them being generally effected. The evidence on both sides closed. The case will conclude to-day.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

The market is again dull for all kinds of stocks. There is no disposition to enter into speculations great or small, and there will probably not be until after the meeting of Congress, and the transmission to that body of the report of the Treasury. There is no little anxiety to know what is to be the future course of the Department in reference to loans and currency. It is argued that, in view of our military successes, and the present plethoric condition of the money market, the Secretary might well inaugurate a new system, looking to the early withdrawal of a portion of the greenback currency, and an entire dependence upon loans and taxes for the future maintenance of the Government. The impression daily spreads that the Treasury Department will demand thorough taxation, and not only stop manufacturing paper money, but adopt a plan for the steady contraction of the circulation now in use. No other course is left open to them, if the past is any guide for the future. Government loans show rather a drooping tendency; the 6-20s, which sold about noon at 103¾, fell off later in the day to 103¾; the 1881 loan, coupon attached, sold at 113¼, no change; a sale was reported with coupon of at 103¼, a decline of ¼; the 7-30s and the 10-40 bonds were steady; State 6s were unchanged; there was very little said in City 6s, and the new (int. off) were offered below par; Company bonds were dull; Philadelphia and Erie 6s sold at 103¾, a decline of 1¾; Camden and Amboy stock sold at 105¾; Chester and Delaware 6s at 105; Reading bonds, '70, were steady at 101; there was very little doing in railway shares; Reading sold at 67¾, a decline of ¼; Pennsylvania Railroad, Minehill, Little Schuylkill, and Camden and Amboy were steady at former prices; Catawissa pref. declined ½; the Oil stocks were dull and drooping. Walnut Island again declined ¾, and St. Nicholas ¼. Curtin was steady at 14¼, and Egbert at 4¾. Of the canal stocks there were sales of Lehigh Navigation at 73¾, Wyoming Valley, Schuylkill Navigation at 32¾, Delaware Division at 36¾, and Morris Canal at 99. Passenger railroads were dull; Spruce and Pine sold at 35, Girard College at 26, and Race and Vine at 12. Bank shares were dull for Second and Third—a decline of 2; 225 for Fifth and Sixth—a decline of 3; 26 for Thirteenth and Fifteenth; 66 for West Philadelphia; 15 for Arch-street; and 25 for Green and Coates. 48 was asked for Tenth and Eleventh.

The fluctuations of gold were as follows:

9¾ A. M.	223¾
10 A. M.	223¾
11¼ A. M.	223¼
12 M.	223
1 P. M.	223¼
2 P. M.	223

The following persons have been elected directors of the First National Bank of Carbondale: President, H. S. Pierce; Vice President, John S. Law; Cashier, James Stott; Directors, H. S. Pierce, James Stott, Anthony Grady, Thomas Gillespie, James Clarkson, John S. Law, D. N. Lathrope, William W. Bronson, Lewis Pughe.

During the month of October 521 boats cleared at Cumberland for Georgetown, carrying 34,749 tons of coal to market, and making a revenue for the canal of $32,839.19. The total tonnage for the year 1864 to the first of November is 1,841 boats, carrying 201,490 tons of coal. This tonnage is principally furnished by the American, Cumberland, Borden, and Central Coal Companies. Maryland now being a free State, it is to be expected that in future her canals and roads will be put in as good permanent condition as those of her sister States, and her immense resources be developed very rapidly.

PHILADELPHIA STOCK EXCHANGE SALES, Dec. 1.

BEFORE BOARDS.

100 Reading	s60 alt 30	67¾	100 Walnut Island
100 do		67¾	200 do
100 do	b10 C & P	68	100 do
100 do		68	100 do
200 do	b30 68		300 do
100 do	b30 68		100 do
100 do	b30 68		100 do
100 Cherry Run		30	100 do
100 do		30	100 do
100 do	b3	30¼	100 do
100 do		30¼	100 do
100 do		30¼	100 do
100 Bruner		2-44	150 Curtin Oil
500 do		24	200 St. Nicholas
100 do		2¾	100 Race & Vine
100 Keystone Oil		2	

4¾	15 Penna R		67¾
4	4 Spruce & Pine R		35
4¾	50 Damar'e		7
4	14 Wyoming Canal		78
4¾	100 McClintock Oil	b5	6¼
4¾	100 do		5
4¾	100 Perry Oil		4¾
4¾	100 D Comp 6s '81		112¾
4¾	1000 do	cond. off	103¾
4¾	1000 do		103¾
4¾	500 do		112¾
4¾	1000 T S 6 20 bonds		106¾
4¾	600 do		106¾
4¾	600 do		106¾
4¾	4600 T S 6s	new	103
4¾	3000 State 6s		lots 93¾
4¾	1000 Cam & Am 6s		89 100¼
4¾	6000 Phila & Erie 6s		b5 103¾
4¾	100 do		b5 103¾

BETWEEN BOARDS.

100 Girard College R		26	1000 T S 6 20 Bonds
100 do		26	9 Lehigh Valley
4 Lehigh Valley		73¾	1238 Ches & Del 6s

SECOND BOARD.

3000 Reading 6s '70		101	200 Mineral Oil
2000 U S 10-40 Bds		103	100 do
1000 Cam & Am 6s '70		104¾	300 Organ Oil
2 Minehill		60	50 Irwin Oil
200 Mineral Oil		3	50 Schl Nav
100 do		3	100 Phila & Oil Creek
100 do		3	6 Little Schl R

AFTER BOARDS.

1000 Cam & Amb mt	s5	105¾	100 Story Farm
100 N Central	2dys	56	100 Walnut Isld
200 Wyoming		100	200 Eldorado
500 U S 10-40 Bonds		103	300 Reading R
500 do		93	300 Schl Nav Pref
100 Lehigh Nav		73¾	220 Green Mountain
183 North Amer Ins		24	400 Venango
100 Schuyl Nav	b30	32¾	100 Union Patrol
100 Penna R		67¾	400 Story Farm
100 Briggs Oil		4¾	100 Hibberd
100 Cherry Run	b5	31¾	100 Schem
200 Walnut Isld	b5	3¾	600 Walnut Isld
300 Big Tank		2¾	100 do
100 Dennison	s5	3¾	500 St Nicholas
200 do	b5	2¾	200 Reading R
500 do		2¾	200 Hibberd
200 Curtin	b30	14¾	100 do
200 Big Tank		2¾	200 Caldwell
50 Kvitzer		2¾	100 do
600 Excelsior		1-81	200 Globe Oil
50 Little Schuyl		45	100 Tarr Homestead
400 Bull Creek		4	100 Walnut Island
500 St Nicholas	s30	4¾	100 Egbert
100 Cherry Run		31	100 Chartiers Pref
100 Globe Oil		1¾	100 Rock Oil
100 Tarr Homestd b15		6¾	100 Noble & Delamtr
100 5-20s		105¾	100 Continental
1000 Cork & Stillwater			100 Walnut Island
Bank		2	100 do
100 Tarr Homestead		6¾	

DRXEL & Co. quote:

United States bonds, 1881			112¾@113
United States Certif. of Indebtedness			97 @ 97¾
Quartermasters' Vouchers			93 @ 94
Certificates of Indebtedness			3 @ 3¾
Gold			223 @223¾
Sterling Exchange			248 @251
Five-twenty Bonds			103 @103¾

The New York *Post* of yesterday says:

Gold opened at 223, and, after selling at 225, closed at 223¾. Exchange is moderately active at 109¾. The loan market is inactive at 6@7 per cent. for the principal class of borrowers, and 8@9 for doubtful.

The stock market offers few features worthy of special notice. Little business is doing, and the tone is irregular. Governments are steady, bank shares dull, coal stocks strong, and railroad bonds quiet. Railroad shares are somewhat stronger, the recent decline in the price of gold having suspended the shipping movement.

Before the first session gold was quoted at 223@223¼, the latter for Hudson at 113¾, Reading at 134¾.

The following quotations were made at the board on some of the active stocks, as compared with the prices of yesterday afternoon:

	Thur.	Wed.	Adv.	Dec.
United States 6s, 1881, coup	112¾	112¾	¼	
United States 5-20 coup	106	106		
United States 10-40 coupons	93¾	93¾		
United States certificates	97¾	97¾		
Tennessee 6s	55	55		
Missouri 6s	60¾	60¾		
Pacific Mail	310	311		1
New York Central Railroad	119¾	119¾		
Erie Railway	92¾	93¾		¾
Erie Railway preferred	103¾	103¾		
Hudson River Railroad	112	112		
Reading Railroad	134¾	135¾		¾
Cleveland & Pittsburg	57	57	¼	

After the board sales was a slight improvement. The market closed at 93¾ and Reading at 134. At the one o'clock call the market was extremely dull. Erie closed at 93¾, Hudson at 112¾, and Reading at 134¾.

Philadelphia Markets.

The demand for Flour is limited, mostly for export and home use, but prices remain about the same as last quoted. Sales comprise about 600 bbls Western extra family at $11@11.75 ⅌ bbl, and 2,500 bbls City Mills' extra family at $12 ⅌ bbl. The retailers and bakers are buying at from $9.75@10 25 for superfine; $10.50@11 for extra family, and $12.50@13 ⅌ bbl for fancy brands, as to quality. In Rye Flour and Corn Meal there is no change to notice.

GRAIN.—There is a fair demand for Wheat, and prices are unchanged; about 10,000 bus sold at $2.60@2.65 for fair to prime Pennsylvania and Western, and Southern reds, including 2,000 bus Kentucky white on private terms. Rye is selling in a small way at $1.70@1.75 ⅌ bushel. Corn is rather lower; 5,000 bus sales are making at $1.86@1.90 for old yellow, and new at $1.65@1.70 for sound, as to condition. Oats are rather quiet; 3,000 bus sold at 92c ⅌ bu.

BARK.—There is very little demand for Quercitron, and we hear of no sales beyond 1st No. 1 is offered at $45 ⅌ ton.

COTTON.—There is no change to notice in price or demand; small sales of Middlings are reported at 85@86c ⅌ lb, cash.

GROCERIES.—Sugar is in fair demand at former rates; 400 hhds Cuba sold at from 13@13c ⅌ lb, as to quality. Coffee is quiet, and we hear of no sales worth notice.

PETROLEUM.—Holders are firm in their views, with small sales of crude to notice at 55@57c, refined in bond, at 56@60c, and free at from 87@90c ⅌ gallon, according to quality.

LARD.—Lard is selling at from 23@23½ ⅌ lb.

SEEDS.—Flaxseed is without change; small sales are making at $2.30 ⅌ bus. Timothy is dull, and quoted at $5 ⅌ bus. Cloverseed continues scarce and in demand, with small sales at $15.75@14 ⅌ 64 lbs for prime.

HOPS.—In Philadelphia there is very little doing; small sales of Anthracite are making at $50@60 ⅌ ton for the three numbers. Manufactured Iron is in fair demand, at former prices.

FRUIT.—Foreign continues scarce at about former rates. Green apples are taken rather freely, at from $4@6 ⅌ bbl, as to quality. Dried Apples are selling at 9@10c ⅌ lb. Peaches are 35@38c ⅌ lb for peeled.

PROVISIONS.—There is very little doing in the way of sales, and all kinds continue scarce; but prices are without change. Mess Pork is quoted at $32@33 ⅌ bbl. Bacon is scarce; small sales are making at 20@24c ⅌ lb for plain and fancy canvassed Hams. Solid-packed Butter is selling at 38@39c ⅌ lb.

WHISKY.—Prices are rather lower and the demand is limited. About 200 bbls have been sold at 190c ⅌ gallon.

The following are the receipts of Flour and Grain at this port to-day:

Flour	1,200 bbls.
Wheat	7,500 bus.
Corn	3,700 bus.
Oats	6,000 bus

New York Markets, Dec. 1.

FLOUR, &c.—The market for Western and State Flour is less active and generally 5 to 10c ⅌ bbl lower, owing to large arrivals and the further decline in gold.

The sales are 7,000 bbls at $5.70@5.80 for superfine State; $5.85@5.90 for extra State; $5.10@5.40 for fancy State; $10.10@10.50 for the low grades of Western extra; $10.30@11.15 for shipping brands; $11.20@11.50 for trade and family brands, and $11.10@14.50 for St. Louis brands.

Canadian flour is 10c lower and dull; sales of 350 bbls at $9.90@10.90 for the low grades of extra, and $10.30@13.25 for fancy and family brands.

Southern flour is dull and 5 to 10c lower; sales of 570 bbls at $10.75@12.05 for mixed to good superfine country Baltimore, at $12.10@13.50 for fancy and family brands.

Rye flour is steady and moderately active; sales of 250 bbls at $8.75@8.50.

Corn meal is firmer; sales of 900 bbls at $7.50@7.75 for Jersey, and $8.50 ⅌ bbl for Brandywine.

GRAIN.—The Wheat market is very dull and 1@2c lower, the decline in gold and liberal offerings give buyers the advantage.

The sales are 7,100 bus at $2.16@2.21 for Chicago spring; $2.25 for amber do; $2.45 for winter red western, and $2.50@2.55 for amber do.

Barley is firm but quiet; sales of 11,000 bus at $1.10 for choice Canada West, and $1.35 for State.

Barley malts is inactive but firm.

Oats are fairly active and lower, under liberal offering. The sales are 50,000 bus Western at $1@1.03, closing in fair demand at $1.

Rye is inactive but firmly held.

Corn opened easier, but closed firmer. The sales are 21,000 bushels Western mixed at $1.91@1.92, the latter for the inside rate for inferior, and New Jersey yellow at $1.88@1.91.

PROVISIONS.—The Pork market opened dull at a decline of $5.75 ⅌ bbl from yesterday, but rallied to a steady demand prices advanced and closed at ¾above the lowest rate of the day.

Beef is dull and we hear of 1,000 bbls mess (1863-4), seller all the month, at $32.50; 500 bbls do, buyer all the month at $32; 500 bbls prime mess, seller for January, at $37; and 1,000 do do, buyer March, at $33.

The sales, cash and regular, are 7,000 bbls at $22.50@24.75 for prime; 1863 do, closing at $24.75, and 1862 do at $26.

Beef is steady and fairly active. Sales of 1,200 bbls at $21@22 for country prime; $26@28 for extra do.

Tierce Beef is quiet but firm.

Beef hams are heavy, and not very active; sales of 200 bbls, partly at $31 ⅌ tierce.

Cut meats are quiet, but firm. Bacon is not much wanted, and is firm. Sales for January of 500 boxes Cumberland cut, and 500 do shoulders, at private terms.

Smoked hogs are dull. We quote at 15½@15½c for city—the latter for heavy.

Lard is dull, and prices are lower; sales of 1,250 bbls prime city at 23c, and 500 do No. 1, 22½@22¾c for fair to prime steam, and 22¼@22½ ⅌ lb, cash.

Boston Markets, Nov. 30.

FLOUR.—The receipts since yesterday have been 2,023 bbls. The market is firm with a good demand; sales of Western superfine at $9 50@10; common extra $10.25@11; medium do $11.25@11.75; good and choice do $12@14.25 ⅌ bbl.

GRAIN.—The receipts since yesterday have been 16,724 bus Oats and 2,000 do Shorts. Corn is in steady demand; sales of Western mixed at $2.10; Western yellow is held at $2.20 ⅌ bu. Oats are in fair demand; sales of Northern and Canada at 90@96c ⅌ bu. Rye is selling at $1.85@1.90 ⅌ bushel. Shorts are in moderate request at $43; fine feed $37@55; Middlings $55 ⅌ ton.

PROVISIONS.—Pork is in moderate demand; sales of prime at $37@38; mess $41@44; clear $45 ⅌ bbl, cash. Beef is firm and in good demand; sales of Eastern and Western mess at $20@21; extra at $22@23 ⅌ tierce. Lard is in moderate demand; sales in bbls at 23@24c; tierces 22¼@22½ ⅌ lb, cash. Hams are selling at 20c ⅌ lb, cash.

Cincinnati Provision Market, Nov. 29.

We have to notice a very dull market, and prices nominal. There seems to be no demand for any article, and we have heard of no sales of any consequence. Mess Pork is held at $37, and Lard at 22½c. Green meats nominal; no demand, owing to the weather. We have heard of no inquiry for old Bacon or Beef.

HOGS.—The receipts since Saturday were about 6,000 head. The weather was very unfavorable, and this, with the uncertainty of demand for the product, made the market very dull, and prices are nominal. Drovers were willing to take $14 for 200-lb averages, but $13 was the best offer made.

Baltimore Markets, Dec. 1.

Flour quiet; sales of 1,000 bbls Howard-street and Western superfine at $11. Wheat quiet; red declined 2@3c; sales of white, new, at $1.70@1.75; red, new yellow, $1.83@1.85. Whisky dull and nominal at $1.90. Coffee dull and nominal.

Arrival and Sailing of Ocean Steamers.

TO ARRIVE.

SHIPS	FROM	FOR	DATE
City of Dublin	Liverpool	New York	Nov. 12
Virginia	Liverpool	New York	Nov. 15
Europa	Southampton	New York	Nov. 16
Edinburg	Liverpool	New York	Nov. 16
Damascus	Liverpool	Quebec	Nov. 17
Persia	Liverpool	New York	Nov. 19
Caledonia	Glasgow	New York	Nov. 19
Hansa	Southampton	New York	Nov. 23
Glasgow	Liverpool	New York	Nov. 26
Canada	Liverpool	Boston	Nov. 26

TO DEPART.

Bremen	New York	Bremen	Dec. 3
Geo. Cromwell	New York	New Orleans	Dec. 3
Suwo Nada	New York	New Orleans	Dec. 3
Rhein	Liverpool	New York	Dec. 3
Virginia	New York	Liverpool	Dec. 3
Germania	New York	Hamburg	Dec. 3
North Star	New York	Aspinwall	Dec. 3
Corsica	New York	Havana	Dec. 6
Washington	New York	Havana	Dec. 7
Asia	Boston	Liverpool	Dec. 7

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MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

PORT OF PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 1, 1864.

SUN RISES....7 19 | SUN SETS....4 41 | HIGH WATER. 4 1

ARRIVED.

Steamship John Gibson, Bowen, 24 hours from New York, with mdse to Wm Ward Taylor & Co.

Brig Ada Wilcox, Clifford, 6 days from Beaufort, in ballast to captain.

Sch'r Martha Rich, Knight, 3 days from New York, with mdse to Curtis & Knight.

Sch'r Wm H Thomas, Davis, 4 days from Fortress Monroe, in ballast to Jas L Bewley & Co.

Sch'r M B Mahony, Coffin, 8 days from Calais, with lumber to captain.

Sch'r Mantua, Maxon, 1 day from Frederica, Del, with wheat to Jas Barratt.

Sch'r Virginia, Hendinson, Burton, 1 day from Drawbridge, Del, with grain to Jas L Bewley & Co.

Sch'r H S Wright, Campbell, 1 day from Leipsic, Del, with grain to Jas L Bewley & Co