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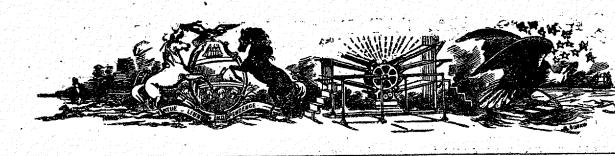
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l-the spiritis cakes and ale. with tickets,—but plain, unimpaled parks, open to all, unswept and ungarnished save by the winds, and with never a "flood" or "sprinkle" upon them. To these repair all to whom the postage-currency representing single and season tickets is a shadow and a myth. These small Siberias are scattered by dreds all over the city and its environs, and are lways partly occupied by a good many Elizabeths.

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This season the mania has raged more madly than ever before, and skating may almost be said to have taken its place among the fine arts. Backyards have been iced ever to a vast extent, much to the disgust of cooks and housemaids, and the various advantages of "floeding" and "sprinkling" have been discussed, relative to obtaining a bed free from scales. Some insist that the flooding system is apt to produce these unsightly and awkward scales. The water may not freeze equally in all parts. and the thin skin of ice which is produced by sprinkling is therefore preferred. Enthusiastic novitiates who do not care to display, at any of the parks, the symmetry and flexibility of their legs, when in an involuntarily recumbent position have been known to rise daily at five A. M., and skate by the light of the kitchen gas up and down a scientifically prepared alley, leed as evenly as the top layer of a jelly-cake. There they can tumble unseen, and the sides of the alley supersede the ecessity of those triangular barrows with which ome of the skating-parks abound. Every man's back garden may then be made his skating-park, just as every man's house is his castle. Meanwhile all the commons and patches of waste land where little ponds abound have been improvised into parks -not Parks Legitimate, earefully enclosed in boards primitively rough and yellow, heralded in the papers, prefaced by ticket offices, and entered

But this does not in the least prevent the Parks Legitimate being crowded. They are always well attended, morning, noon, and night. For skating possesses this advantage—the more you have of it, the more you want. Skating is applicable to any condition of life. On skates love has even been made. Beaux have broken the ice of confession, and gone down through the air-hole of "Say, oh! say you love me!" magine a smooth plane of ice, over which hundrads of cleverly constituted feet are osculating, On one side it is girt by the long platform on which are reared the tents and pavilions of accommoda-

tion; on the other it is bordered by the risky and uneven edges of the more remote regions of the pond or river, which have refused to freeze eligibly under art of frozen swimming is being so glibly illustrated, is carefully enclosed from the non-skating world by ctory, style. The tide which beats underne thatley bosom was never more rife with motion than the human tides now undulating and inter-wreathing upon its silver surface. Imagine this Promised the stage upon whom the Email de Paris spreads thick and the footlights flutter yellow. She skates Land of Ice hilariously crowded during our past-

None who are in health have available excuses for not understanding how to skate. We have ice. pends in abundance. A number of enterprising to the foot as well as to adveate the foot to the log, have differed their talents to the matter, and provided a variety by which men, women, and children can be pleased! Arrangements are perfected by which moonlight and neonlight skating can be ren-dered almost equally practicable—the moonlight, of sourse, having the advantage of a little touch of romance, just to give it an additional relish. Skating or ladies has been particularly attended to, and planes of ico have been converted into icicled ballreoms, where life can be skated through, court-ship conducted on High Dutch, and matrimony consummated on Low. The Ladies' Skating Park— which is the National—is situated at Twenty-first treet and Columbia avenue. Besides this, skating criminately by each sex and every age is to be had on the Union Parks, and on Bushnell's. Phila. elphia, and Eastwick Parks. Skating is held out to

all. You cannot get into a city passenger-car without encountering skates. Some people smuggle them into green bags, and would pass for lawyers, save fer the intense interest they manifest about the state of the wantername. est about the state of the weather and the ice, and the concern with which they scrutinize the lacards, "Skating at Such-or-such a Park" on the outside of the cars. Skating ladies carry them in all sorts of cunning devices—in little rainbow-colored bags, which look like the old-fashioned reticules enlarged; in noat little leather cases, like those neeful things that used to be called "housewives," of more than ordinary dimensions; in white paper packages whence they curlously peep out, and revealthe whole secret with icy indifference; and some—but they are very few—carry them openly as articles to rejoice in rather than to be ashamed of as things of beauty, as joys forever.

OUR PARES-THEIR NUMBER, CHARACTER AND EXTENT. Somebody has suggested that every skater, in order to keep himself warm enough, should button up in the bosom of his coat a fresh-baked loaf of bread. It is very unfortunate for bakers that this is not made the rule, for "twists" would quickly vanish, and eyen French rolls, muffins, and crum-pets might be levied on to promote the caloric of skaters of a fancy order of intellect. So numerous, ndeed, are our skaters that besides the hundred of improvised skating grounds, it has been found necessary to open five splendid parks for the ac-commodation of the general public. These are, as fore mentioned, the Union, National, Bushnell,

Philadelphia, and Eastwick Parks. has become so very general. The first public park opened, we believe, was that inaugurated by Mr. Campbell, in the winter of 1863-4. It was immedi-Campbell, in the winter of 1883-4. It was immediately opposite Girard College, and covered an area of two acres. This park was finely patronized, but the ground then occupied by it is not used for that purpose now. The location was a very eligible one, being within a quarter of an hour's ride of the very centre of the city. In those days, however, skating in Philadelphia was in its infancy, and it is not to in Philadelphia was in its infancy, and it is not to in philadelphia was in its inland; and it is not to be presumed that it equal to that which now crowds with greenbacks the coffers of each skating park, and causes them to overflow with crisp green smiles. The Union Parks are situated at Fourth and Diamond streets. They are divided into the East and West Parks, and cover an extent of six acres, reac road to Fourth street, and from Diamond street to Susquehanna avenue. The buildings in this, and, indeed, in all the parks, include retiring-rooms for ladies and gentlemen, as well as a refreshment saloon, in which the sale of liquor is prohibited. The Union Park has the advantage of being situated in a very cold locality, and yet in a portion of the city easily reached. The East and West Parks intercommunicate by a double-inclined plane framework, and the long platforms running between the two and along the sides of each affor ample accommodation for lookers-on. The West Park is dedicated to young beginners, some of whom are pretty old, and the East Park to the more advanced pupils, adepts, and professional skaters. In the former quite a number, both old and young, are constantly making persistent efforts to skate, from the impetuous damsel who rushes at it in slap dash, neck or nothing style, to the more kittenish and ad-

foil, and the chance beams falling here and there give warmth and geniality to the social groups. It looks as though all Philadelphia had turned out the ladies have been very choice in their dresses, and have preserved a mean between the temperal Bushnell's Park is at the corner of Broad street and frigid zones. They have poetized upon Lapland, Iceland, and Russia, and have even improved upon the Swedes, Norwegians, and Danes. Highly successful attempts have been made to set the balland Columbia avenue, a short walk from the Na-tional Park. It is very irregular in shape, running into little nooks and corners, and is thought by some, on that account, to produce, when illumina-ted at night, a more picturesque and romantic efoom on skates. Nothing can be conceived more exhiberating than the swirling of thousands of cot than any of the other parks. Though smaller kates, the clatter of thousands of tongues, the studthan the others, containing perhaps three acres, the

ding of the lambent illuminated ice with magnifice dyes, like a million kaleidoscopes all changing and ice is kept in very fine condition, and is approved by some of our best skaters. We believe that the all seen at once, the clash of music, the shricks of school laughter, the meteor-like flashings and dashsprinkling system is observed here, the ice being ings of the fancy skaters, all girt and wrapped up in a heaven, where stars are thickly sown. As the verlaid daily with a thin skin or varnish of wate n a manner similar to that in which the streets are watered during summer.

Eastwick Park is the most extensive of all the kating dancers form into cavalcade, the old sons s realized, and the heralds seem to shout, parks, but it is situated at such a distance from the "See, see! our train advances See how each skater lances! city that its patronage, though large, is not equal to what it otherwise would be. It is divided into Health and strength abounding.

While horns and oboes sounding: the North and South Parks, and is located at Gray's The Tritons shall blow Their conch shells below.

And their beards fear to show. Each of these parks has its distinctive character The Union Parks, and the Philadelphia, or West While a skating we go:

With a fa, la, la, la, la, la',

To the sound of the merry horn!''

In a word, he who does not skate has ceased to Philadelphia Park, as it is indifferently called, are visited largely by fancy skaters, the kings and queens of the light fantastic. National Park is the favorite resort of ladies and families. Whole households go there together, and all the home virtues and affect take an interest in life. The person who will not skate will not read the newspapers, and he who will no tions are promoted on skates. Bushnell's Park is finely attended by very young people, with judicious sprinklings of those of larger growth and maturer years. It is maintained, in great measure, by the families of the vicinity, and is a point of stoppage and attraction for all pedestrians along Broad read the newspapers is capable of doing almost anything, because he has voluntarily withdrawn himself from the world, and confounded all distinctions between human right and wrong. In this age, the novitlate in skating is expected to bud into the amateur, and the amateur to blossom into the proand attraction for all pedestrians along Broad street. But inspiriting as is the scene in all these parks by day, it is much more exciting by night. Then skating is skating indeed. Then artificial moons shed their loveliness, then calcium lights fessional. Everybody is expected to know every thing about the Back Roll and the Forward Rol the Inside Edge Forward, the Figure of Three, the Outside Edge Backwards, and all the figures. He i expected to be so familiar with Walker as to have rain down radiance, and lanterns open wide their jaws of splendor. The flyriad lights reflected in him at his toes' ends. People scarcely think of say ing, "How is gold to day?" They say, "How i the polished lubricity of the ice are so many Nar-cissuses in love with their own beauty, and the skaters so many nymphs and dryads in love with skaling ?**

New Publications. PALFREY'S HISTORY OF NEW ENGLAND .- Seve SKATING EXPERIENCES RINGS AND QUEENS OF years ago, reviewing the second volume of Dr. Pal-frey's History of New England, we had pleasure in doing justice to the merits of the author, a publicist Skating is one of the improvidential means of testing human endurance. The friends of Alexina as well as a man of letters, with few superiors as a critic and a writer. The work is now completed, by all declare that Alexina is in a galloping consump-tion. Alexina cannot go to visit a friend without hiring a coach, or at least employing the plebelan the publication of the third volume, 648 pages, octavo. It treats of the final relations of New Enghiring a coach, or at least employing the plebelan conventionalism of a car. The quantity of postage currency and greenbacks Alexina has disposed of in this manner passes all condeption, and can only be appreciated by reference to the private accountbook of her papa. When even Alexina is at her best, walking fatigues her, and running up and down stairs is quite beyond her capabilities, leading her to long for the introduction into private houses of those Elevators which are eternally traversing between heaven and earth in hotels. But Nature, which is ever compansating, has repaid Alexina for this cruel deficiency. She has imbued her with a thorough land with the Stuart Kings—namely, from the fall of Lord Olarendon from power, in August, 1667, until the accession of William and Mary was known until the accession of William and thery was known and gladly recognized in this country. The volume has a good index, without which a historical work is only half useful, and is illustrated with a Map of New England, in 1689, Hubbard's Map of 1677, and Seller's Map of 1685. Our opinion of the work, formed on the perusal of the previous volumes, seven years ago, may be repeated here, including its completion now: "These volumes are full of interest and full of instruction. They cannot be su-perseded, but must continue to be the sources from She has imbued her with a thorough love of skating, and her papa has presented he which our future histories will be derived. We have with skates. Day after day she is to be seen on one of our toy boulevards. Hour after hour she skates, no hesitation in saying that they should be found in every library in this country." This work is published by Little, Brown, & Co., Boston, and is on with the wind or against it. She throws herself into profese perspirations. She sits upon the platform sale by J. B. Lippincott & Co., in Philadelphia. and cools off, whilst Mr. Pimpleton (Alexina's intended) kneels gracefully before her, and tightens HISTORY OF THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.—The Rev. Dr. Abel Stevens, one of the he steel running round her little bottines. Alexina is developing muscle. The limbs which have so long been dormant are being educated by gyrations and most able and accomplished of American writers, is following up his History of Methodism by a History of the M.E. Church, in which he has done for American Methodism what, in his other work, he had done for English. Two volumes have apenuflexions on the ice. Her arms, which hitherto have been closely imprisoned in a muif, grow quite limber from the free action that Mr. Pimpleton gives them. When, the next day, Alexina is sick in bed peared, recording the rise and progress of American Methodism, and include the emigration of the Palatines, with Philip Embury and Barbara Heck, it is due to the natural delicacy of her constitution, and, of course, not at all to the fact that she has until the first General Conference in 1732. It will be followed by other volumes. In the present skated enough to satisfy any full-grown man. Hear another case, and then judge whether truth per tollowed by other volumes. In the present portion the notice of the Palatines, a race of emigrants who have a settlement in the county of Limerick, Ireland, is so exact and full that we cannot conceive the possibility of its having been written without a visit to the place and the people. is not stranger than fiction. Miss Eloine, who belongs to one of the first families of New York, has nome to spend six months with an old and attached friend. Her indulgent pa has provided her with an expensive outfit sufficient for the trousseau of a bride. The provisions of Godey's Lady's Book, and of Madame Demorest's fashion-plates, have been Published by Carlton & Porter, New York; and Perkinpine & Higgins, Philadelphia. vigorously observed, and Eloina sets forth bent on conquest, and with a bevy of kidnapped and de-WAR FICTION.-Mr. Trowbridge's new story, The Three Scouts," is the best novel of the war tomahawk them all, so to speak, and to re-turn with their scalps at her girdle. How are all these bright anticipations frustrated and made children and their parents. It is full of adventure and character. J. E. Tilton & Co., Boston; J. B. s naught ! In an evil hour Eloina learns to skate.

She finds it lovely. It is as sweet as stolen waters

and more delicately fascinating than any houri of

and she shates. Like Carathis in the Hall of Ebli

she penetrates every nook and cranny of that field

home—a distance of three miles and a quarter—in

her dripping clothes. By the time she reaches home

husband, father, or brother, survey a lump of fee be-fore his own or his neighbor's door, without reflect-ing that it may have been on that identical nugget

his wife, or daughter, or sister, laid the foundation of infinence, and paved the way for the doctor's bill which has not yet been paid? The reflection would

be harrowing enough at any time, but in summer it is enough to take all taste of mint out of the julep,

SKATING RULES AND SKATING DRESSES.

Lippincott & Co., Philadelphia. The Prospects of the "Confederacy." and pleasant as bread eaten in secret. She glides along like a swan that has no death song to sing, and he is the Afrit chartered expressly to do her blidding and preserve her from devouring the holes. Well does she do her task. Sie learns to out letters on the toe. Like the poet Keats, her name is writ in water—only the water is frozen. In one of these exploits of hydraulic caligraphy the ice breaks, and Eliona falls in. How she gets out again no one knows-no one ever will. Probably they are not dripping; they are frozen, and she is ground her to that degree that she resembles a stalactite of rather large size, gathered in the great cave of Kentucky. After she has been thawed—a work in which a considerable quantity of coals and kitchen fire are expended—she is put to bed, and subsides into rheumatic fever, in which she is heard to call wildly upon the name of her Pimpleton, and to-make a variety of didactic

THE REBELLION AS NOTES AND THE VALUE OF THE VERY AND STRUCTURE OF THE VERY AND STRUCTURE OF THE VERY AND STRUCTURE AND STRUCTURE OF THE VERY AND STR remarks on the mutual advantages of Low Dutch and double-guttered. Ultimately recovering, Elo ina is packed off. to her friends in Fifth avenue, there to convalence and pursue her career with more success on the skating arens of Central Park. Although it brings them in some additional prac-tice, physicians are fierce in their denunciations of this indiscriminate skating. One doctor has had thre different arms of three different ladies to set, which were broken by concussion with the ke. Another has a list of lady patients who have contracted diseases of the chest and throat by injudicious skating. In all these cases the hygienic laws which govern skating have been violated. What shall we think of a delicate little lady who will not walk three squares to do her shopping, rushing manely about on slides of steel, whirling around and around air-heles, as though they were so many maelstroms sucking her down, careering from one end of the field of ice to the other, without stint or stoppage, using the most spasmodic gestures with her arms, and indeed violently exercising her whole body? The ladies-"do" skating as they do any-thing—with their whole heart. They think that what is worth doing at all is worth doing well—that there cannot be too much of a good thing. So they provide themselves with muss, and furs, and tipets, and gloves, and little boots, and scarfs, and handkerchiefs, and wells, and they impress the first Pimpleton that comes along, and, even as the Naiad they make away with him to the skating parks and ponds, and Pimpleton is seen no more. The ladies, who are so often extelled as men's best advisers, who are so often extolled as men's best advisers, are not careful enough of themselves. They forget that the little muff and fur "farings" just referred to were intended for their protection. They put themselves into little heats on the skating ground, and, true to the principle of jumping to a conclusion, will not hear of such a thing as cooling off gradually, but must experience the change instantaneously—as some people are said to do a change of heart. Their limbs were never intended for such violent and long-continued exercise. Their exceeding beauty, looked at from a skating point of view, is mere than counterbalanged by the serious injury to health over-exercise entails. How can any right feeling man ever after skate with satisfaction, if he believes that the histories of Eloina and Alexina are being multiplied? Can ice longer and Alexina are being multiplied? Can ice longer yield fim pleasure? He will pleture it, think of it, diesolute man, and slide on it, skate on it, then, if he can. How, in summer time, can any affectionate

In his rules for dress Walker is less followed than in his rules for learning to skate. For instance, he says, "A skater's dress should be as close and unon-cumbered as possible. Large skirts get entangled with his own limbs or those of the persons who pass To work in close design by fraud or guile
What force effected not." constantly making persistent efforts to sacte, iron the impétione damiel who can daniel in the method damiel who can mea at it in shap dash neck or nothing style, to the more kitchindal the neck or nothing style, to the more kitchindal the neck or nothing style, to the more kitchindal the neck or nothing style, to the more kitchindal the neck or nothing style, to the more kitchindal the neck or nothing style, to the more kitchindal the neck or nothing style, to the more kitchindal the neck or nothing style, to the more kitchindal the neck or nothing style to the style of the neck or nothing style to the neck or nothing style to the neck or nothing style to the style of the neck or nothing style to the neck or nothing style to the style of the neck or nothing style to the style of the neck or nothing style to the style of the neck or nothing style to the style of the neck of the style of the neck or nothing style to the style of the near him, and all fullness of dress is exposed to the wind. Loose trousers, frocks, and more especially great coats, must be avoided; and, indeed, by wearing additional underclothing they can always be dis-

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL. Moretary matters move smoothly, considering how much there is daily occurring in our midst that bears so directly upon the money market. There is no searsi-ty of money for any of the purposes of trade, and while

there is rogreat epoculation in either merchandise o stocks, there is still enough to absorb all the capita that would otherwise remain idle and unproductive that would otherwise remain the and unproductive. The stock market has quite resourced from the shock which was produced upon it by a concurrence of military and national events, which always, when they are of an emphatic character, disturb the market id one way or another. There is still a large amount of money being invested in oil stocks, the holders of which hope for remunerative returns, and appear regardless of risks. The timid investors, as well as the more pruden money lenders, who wish to enjoy a return of in est without subjecting their funds to any risk what ever, continue to invest largely in the securities of the U. S. Government. These fluctuate but little from day to day, and seldom partake of the freaks which characterize all other investments on the stock lis: Testerday a large quantity of Government bonds were disposed of. The 1881 loan sold at 100%—which was Thursday's figure; the 6. 20s at 108%, and the 10-40s at 101%. For State Securities there was little demand and nothing nay's ngure, theo source they, and the 10-40 at 1015. For State Securities there was little demand and nothing was said in them. City 6s were weak and lower. The new declined X-selling at 37; the old sold at 92X. Railway bonds continue in considerable favor, and the transactions are comparatively large. The second mortgage Pennsylvania Railroad bonds sold at 1045-a decline of X. There were sales reported of Elmira 7s at 102; Lehigh 6s of 1870 at 100; North Pennsylvania 6s at 91X, and Reading 6s of '70 at 101. Pittaburg 6s sold at 76, and Allegheny county coupon 6s at 77. Some Delaware Division bonds brought 35. The share market continued very quiet, but though the transactions were light, prices on the whole were better; Reading advanced X; Pennsylvania was also X better, and Mischill X; Philadelphia and Eric was steady at 25%; Catawiesa was weak at 30%. Of the Ganal atocks we notice sales of Delaware Divition at 33%; Echuyikill Navigation preferred at 31%; Susquebanas Canal at 13%, and Union Ganal at 1%; Bank stocks are dull and no sales of local banks were rerities there was little demand and nothing

FOUR CENTS.

sands term to 15%, and ontoin can banks were re-stocks are dull and no sales of local banks were re-ported. There is little or nothing doing in Passenger Ealiroads; a lot of Girard College sold at 24. There was some inquiry for the coal stocks, with sales of Swatara Falls at 5%; Locust Mouttain at 50, and Butler at 11%. The following were the closing quotations for principal navigation, mining, and oil stocks at 4 P. M. Bid. Ask. The following were the closing quotations for the 23-16 Philada, & Oil Gr. The following were the quotations for gold at the

To the Editor of The Press:
Sir: As the robbery of \$150,000 United States bonds from the Bank of Crawford County, at Meaville, Pa, last evening, may create some distruct in its currency, we beg to assure the public that its notes are secured by United States bonds deposited with the Auditor General of the Commonwealth, and will be received by us at same rates as other Pennsylvania currency. PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 27, 1865.
We find in the Washington Chronicle an abstract of the annual report of the Commissioner of Internal Re-The total amount of taxes collected on incomes other than that derived from being an officer of the Governthan that derived from being an efficer of the Government, "was \$14 919.279.68. Of this. New York paid \$4,918 529 97; Pennsylvania, \$3,035,165.03; Massachnsetta, \$1 904,782.03; Ohto, \$1.117,991.18; Illinois, \$584,855, and California, \$680,327.01. The balance of the States, with the exception of Maryland, which is raturned \$507,765.27, paid less than \$500,000 each. The District of Columbia paid \$146,639.24, which is more than the revenue derived from the same source in New Hampshire, Vermont, Minnesota, and Kansas combined.

mes in some of the wealthiest districts in the differ ent States: PENSSYLVANIA.
Second Congressional district.
First Congressional district.
First Congressional district. MASSACHUSETTS.
Fourth Congressional district.
Third Congressional district.
Seventh Congressional district. OHIO.
First Congressional district...
Second Congressional district...
Third Congressional district...
We have We have received the annual report which was submitted to the stockholders of the Continental Hotel Company on the 2d instant. The rental of the hotel last year amounted to \$26, 519, 67, and it was stated that during 1965 it will be increased to \$60, 600 The lease to during 1865 it will be increased to \$60,800 The lease to the present proprietors of the hotel is for \$40,000. This was for twelve years from February 1, 1860, and has seven years to run from the first of next February. By the terms of this lease the leasees are bound to do all the repairs, and it is assumed that for the next seven years the yearly income of the company will be at least \$60,800. Deduct from this \$19,250 per annum for ground rent, \$45,600 for taxes, and \$2,650 for expenses, and the net income will be \$34,600, or at the rate of six per cent. per annum on \$675,000. The stock now sells for \$160 per share, or less than 38 per cent. of its cost. It pays per share, or less than 33 per cent. of its cost. It pays no dividend, and the report says it is not likely to do so for years. The report appeals to the stockholders to subscribe for additional stock, in order to discharge the bonds of the company, and make the concern dividendpaying-an appeal which, we think, ought to be repaying—an appear which, we taken, ought to be re-sponded to.

The bankers of Chicago held a meeting on Saturday last for the purpose of discussing the propriety of es-tablishing a Chearing House. Several plans were sub-mitted, and, after mature consideration, it was re-

mitted, and, after matter consideration, it was re-colved, (eaps the Tribune of the Min Inst.), that an ex-periment would be tried for a few days, the business to be transacted temporarily at the Northwestern National Bank, the officers of which volunteered to attend to it. This experiment went into effect on the 23d, all the National Bank, Solomon Sturges Sons, Montreal Ban Agency, and the Traders' Bank. Amount of Coal transported on the Fhiladelphia and Reading Railroad during the week ending Thursday, January 25, 1865: Tons. Owt From Port Carbon Sohuyikili Haven. -.34,710 18

To same time less year.

Drexel & Co. quote:

New U. S. Bonds, 1881.

Chartermasters Youchers.

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Weekly Review of the Philadelphia Markets.

JANUARY 27-Evening.
Business continues very duli and neglected owing to business commones very dark an expected owing to the daily fluctuations in gold Bark is very quiet. Flouris very dull. Wheat is rather lower. Corn is unchanged. Outs have declined. Cotton closes rather firmer. Coal is dull, and there is very little doing. Coffsecontinues quiet. Fish and Fruit are without any material change. The Fish and Fruit are without any materist change. The stron market continues very dull. Naval Stores are rather lower. Petrokeum is dull and unsettled. Liuseed Oil has advanced. The Provision market continues very dull at the decline. In Sugar there is no change to notice. Seeds have declined. Whisky is rather dull. Wool is inactive, but holders are rather firmer in their views. There is very little demand for Fleur, and the market is dull and prices unsettled rates comprise about 5,000 bbis at \$10.75 for extra and \$11.56@12 \$4 bbi for extra-family. The relatives and bakers are buying in a-small. bbis at \$10.75 for extra and \$11.06(2)? \$400 for sample family The relatilers and bakers are buying in a-small way at from \$9.50@10 for superfine; \$10.50@11 25 for extrs, \$11.60@12 for extra family, and \$12.50@13 \$7 bbl for fancy brands, according to quality. Bay Flouris selling in a small way at \$4@9 25 \$7 bbl. Corn Meanis dull at former rates.

GRAIN.—Wheat continues dull and there is very literature of the corn was a \$40.000 for prime. tle doing; about 15,000 bus sold at 250@250c for prime reds, and white at from 280@250c W bus according to quality. Rye is selling in a small way at 175@117c W bus. Corn is dull and rather lower, with sales of about The following are the receipts of Flour and Grain at

this port during the past week: BARK.—Quercitron continues very dull, and we hear of no sales. let No. I is quoted at \$40 % ton, which is a

decline.

CANDLES —Adamantine are rather duil; small sales are making at 52@33c \$\(\text{P} \) ib. Small sales of Tallow Candles are making at former rates.

COFFEE.—There is very little doing in the way of sales, and the market is dull; about 400 bags of Rio sold in lots at from 42@45c \$\(\text{P} \) in lots at from Fort without any material change. Small sales from Fort Richmond are making at \$\(\text{P} \) in \$\(\text{M} \) in \$\(\text{P} \) in the decidine. About 180 bales have been sold in lots at \$\(\text{P} \) in ather firmer at \$\(\text{M} \) in an agood middlings, closing rather firmer at \$\(\text{M} \) in \$\(\text{P} \) in \$\(\text{M} \) in the firmer at \$\(\text{M} \) in \$\(\text{M} \) in the firmer at \$\(\text{M} \) in \$\(\text{M} \) in the firmer at \$\(\tex

minemone are making at \$50 0.69 \$ ton.

GOTTON.—The market has been very dull at the decline. About 160 bales have been sold in lots at 500,000c \$\frac{1}{2}\$ fb. each, for middlings, and good middlings, closing rather firmer at 506,95c \$\frac{1}{2}\$ fb. each, for middlings, and good middlings, closing rather firmer at 506,95c \$\frac{1}{2}\$ fb.

DRUGS AND DYES.—There is very little doing; mall the way of sales. The market is very dull, and prices are unsectiled.

FISH.—In mackerel there is very little doing; small sales from etore are making at \$25,000 for shore is, \$15 for bay do, \$17.6 (0) fs for shore 2s, \$16 for bay do, and \$15,001 \$\frac{1}{2}\$ bbl for large and small No. 3s. Cockah are selling at from \$60,85c \$\frac{1}{2}\$ lb.

FRUITS.—In foreign there is little or nothing doing. Green Apples sell slowly at \$5 50,005 \$\frac{1}{2}\$ bbl. Dried Apples range at from \$12,000 \$\frac{1}{2}\$ lb.

FRUITS.—The pastes to Liverpool are unchanged, and there is very little doing. We quote \$F.our at 1s \$2\$ \$\frac{1}{2}\$ bbl. and heavy goods at 15,001 \$\frac{1}{2}\$ for. West India charters are reported at \$6(0) \$\frac{1}{2}\$ for. Coal wessels continue ecarce, and the rates are without change.

FEATHERS are rather dull. About \$4,000 fbs good Western Sold at 77c \$\frac{1}{2}\$ lb.

HAY.—Baled is selling at \$32,000 \$\frac{1}{2}\$ ton.

HIDES.—The past has been an extremely dull week in the flide trade. In dry there has been it ittle or as thing done, and quotations, which are nominal, are unchanged. For green salied there has evened constituted gone, and quotations, which are nominal, are unchanged. For green salied there has evened constituted from the have occurred. The stocks on hand are some efficients have occurred. The stocks on hand are some efficients have occurred. The stocks on hand are some efficients have occurred. The stocks on hand are some efficients have occurred. The stocks on hand are some efficients are obtained sole is in active request, and they took on hand is not large. Slaughter—Medium and heavy weight

RICE continues quiet; small sales are making at 13/49 - (16 \tilde{\tild

TOBACCO.—There is very little doing in either leaf or marufactured.

EALT.—There is no change to notice in prices, and we hear of no sales worthy of notice.

WOOL.—There is very little doing in the way, of sales, but holders are rather firmer in their viewe; small sales are making at \$80.25 to fasce, and the at from \$1.10.20 \$10.00 \$10.

shipped from here, against \$6,037 cases for the corresponding period in 1664. New York Markets, Jan. 27.

Figur, &c.—The market for Western and State Flour is a little more active, and prices are 10@15 cents \$\frac{1}{2}\$ bit hatter, cleaing quiet; but there are no sellers at our inside figures. Trade and fancy brands are dull, and prices are yet irresular. Trade and fancy brands are dull, and prices the property of the figures. Trade and fancy brands are dull, and prices the figures. Trade and fancy brands are dull, and prices for sellers at the figures. Trade and fancy brands are dull, and prices, and the market is guest \$87.0010 059 of the low grades of extra, and \$10.10@11.80 for trade and family exists of extra, and \$10.10@11.80 for trade and family exists and the market is guest for mixed to good superfine country Baltimore, &c., and \$11.75@14 50 for trade and family brands.

By Flour is dull and unchanged. Sales of 50 bbls at \$10.50% 15. Corn Meal is inactive.

GRAIN.—The wifest market is nominally 3to 5 cents higher, with very little inquiry. The demand is chiefly confined to milling. The fluctuations in gold checks but he see that the self-grain of the figures of \$1.500 bushels.

Barkey is in moderate demand. Sales of \$0.00 bushels. Canada 190.00 bushels are \$0.00 bus Jerrey at \$1.12. Western at \$1.000 bushels. The sales are \$0.00 bus Jerrey at \$1.12. Western at \$1.000 bushels.

Grands 190.00 bus Jerrey at \$1.12. Western at \$1.000 bushels can a \$0.00 bushels. The provisions—The Pork market opened steady, but closes weak at our inside figures. These has been a good demand for prime mess.

Beef is moderately active at former rates; sales of \$75 bbls at \$2.002 for plain mess, and \$2.002 for extra do. Tisroe Beef is moderately active and figures. There has been a good demand for prime mess.

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Beef is moderately active at former weather, and in fair retail demand. Ont Meats are steady and fairly acti New York Markets, Jan. 27.

Navigation is closed and there is no business doing in our markets. AT THE MERCHANTS' EXCEANGE, PHILADELPHIA.

Bark Linda, Hewith
Berk-Sea Eagle, Rowes
Brig Herming (Fol.)
Brig Anna, Mcrow
Brig Herald, Davis PHILADELPHIA BOARD OF TRADE, JAS. R. CAMPBELL, SAML. W. DE COURSEY. COMMITTEE OF THE MONTE. JAS. C. HAND, MARINE ENTELLIGENCE. PORTOF PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 27, 1865. SUN RISES.... 7 04 | SUN SETS... 4 06 | HIGH W ATEX... 3 10 ARRIVED.

City-lee Boat, Schellenger, wom Ready Island; came up light, Passed bark John Mathews, for Pernambugo, in tow of the America, off New Castle, at Saf M on Thursday. Towed down and left at Reedy Island seven schooners, laden with cond on Government-account. Figating ice very heavy in the neighborhood of Chester.

CLEARED.

Steamship George Appold, Howes, Baltimare.

Bark Thos Dallett (B.), Legnayra.

Schr Nettig Merryman, Merryman, Key West.

ays. thr Frank Herbert, Crowell, hence at New York on. The British blocksde-runer steamer Talisman, from Wilmington, N. C., for Bermuda, with a cargo of 450 bales cotton, foundered about 28th or 29th ult, when about 350 miles to the west of Bermuda The oraw and passengers, thirty in all, were rescued by the schr Oraville, Captain Giles, and landed at Bermudajon tha Oraville, Captain Giles, and landed at Bernudskon tha list inst.

Sobr Independence, Gromwell, arrived at New Bedford on Wednesday, with rails, rigging, chains, spars, &c., frop wrecked bark Albion Luccoln on Naghawen. She had also on board a steam pump, which it was impossible for her to put aboard on account of the heavy swell the previous two days, and the vessels have been unable to take out cargo for the same reason. Over 200 hides molasses damaged by water, have already been taken out. It the swell has not caused the vessel's bottom to be very badly ground up she will probably be got off after the pump is got to work on board of her.

The wreckers received \$3,600 for geiting off schr Elisa B Potter; which was ashoronear Townsend at latet, New Jersey.

Jersey.

Bilg Cherokes (Br), from Boston for Liverpool, NS, has been totally wrecked near Port Medway. No par-