# PITTSBURGH GAZETTE.

On all the European Railroads men are employed at each principal way station, whose special duty is to examine the soundness and security of every car wheel and axle of every train. They also examine and fill up the oil or grease boxes:—These duties are thoroughly performed, and undoubtedly they save a great number of accidents, which would be likely to accrue from the neglect of the precaution.

Another means taken to afford immunity from accident, is the employment of gates and gate keepers at every place where a public wagon-road crosses the track. These gates are closed on both sides of the track before the train comes along, and only opened after it has passed. Besides these arrangements, there is yet another deserving of attention. At every material curve in the road, and at every tunnel and bridge, men are stationed with signals to indicate whether trains are or are not on the curve, in the tunnel or upon the bridge.

These precautions must, sooner or later, be adopted by the American Railroad companies; and if so; then

'Twere well 'twere done quickly.

Too many lives are every day and almost every hour jeoparded on our principal railroad lines, to warrant the longer omission of such simple precaution.

NON-INTERCOURSE.—A Washington correspondent of the New York Independent relates the following incident, which may illustrate the old proverb: "Many a true word is spoken in jest."—*Zion's Advocate.*

He says that a gentleman on a visit there, while the resolution respecting the reception of Kossuth was under discussion, being anxious to listen to the debates, opened, very coolly, one of the doors to the Senate, and was about to pass in, when the door-keeper asked, "Are you a privileged member?" "What do you mean by such a man?" asked the stranger. The reply was, a Governor, an ex-member of Congress, or a foreign minister. The stranger said, "*I am* a minister." From what court or country, if you please? asked the official. (Very gravely pointing up)—"From the court of Heaven, sir." To this our door-keeper waggishly remarked, "This government at present holds no intercourse with that foreign power!"

WIT loses its respect with the good when seen in company with malice; and to smile at the jest which plants a thorn in another's breast, is to become a principal in the mischief.—*Sheridan.*


SUNDRIES— 96 bags Feathers; 11 Cleaning; 13 bags Dried Apples; 5 " " (Falsdeb) 5 bales Cotton: to arrive, for sale by ISAIAH DICKEY & Co. Water and Front streets.

SUNDRIES—20,000 lbs. Bulk Pork, prime; 10 bbls. Clovereed; 10 " Sweet White Beans. Rec'd per steamer Fisk, and for sale by SAMUEL P. SHRIVER & CO. 150 and 152 Second street.

LAMP BLACK—10 bbls. for sale by J. KIDD & CO. 50 Wood st.

Banking and Exchange Office.

THE highest market price paid in par funds for American Silver. Exchange on the Eastern Cities for sale. Drafts on Cincinnati and Wheeling. Collections made in the West. Specie bought and sold on commission. H. D. KING, Fourth st.

New Books,

At 78 *Apollo Building*s, *Fourth street.*

THE Wide Wide World; by Elizabeth Wetherell. The Lady's Voyage Round the World: a selected translation from the German of Ida Pfeiffer, by Mrs. Percy Sinnett. Sixteen Months at the Gold Diggings; by D. B. Woods. Thoughts on the Origin, Character and Interpretation of Scriptural Prophecy, in Seven Discourses; by J. Hill. Nights in a Monastery. 2 vols. McGregor's Works. 2 vols. Life of Mahomet; Montaigne's Works: for sale by J. L. READ, Fourth st.

OIL—5 casks Winter Strained Elephant; 2 " " [de15] 5 " " O. BLACKBURN & CO.

NEW CURRANTS—Rec'd and for sale by WM. A. McCLURG & CO., Grocers & Tea Dealers.

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NEW PRUNES—Put up in Jars and fancy boxes of 31b. each, for sale by WM. A. McCLURG & CO.

LARD—111 tierces No. 2; 87 bbls. Grease; for sale by KING & JONES.

SMUT MACHINE—1 second hand Smut Machine, for sale low to close consignment by R. DALZELL & CO.


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Gift Books for the Holidays,

A T HOLMES' Literary Depot, No. 74 Third street, opposite the Post Office. The stock consists of all the Annuals issued for 1852, at prices ranging from $1 to $5.

The Women of Early Christianity, a series of Portraits, with appropriate Pencillings by American Clergymen, with 11 original engravings, bound in fine Turkish morocco.

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Sacred Annuals, a gift book, 13 do.

Christmas Guest, by Maria J. Mclntosh, 13 illustrations.

Gift Flower, a gift for the holidays.

The Flowers of Loveliness, with 10 illustrations.

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Sacred Scenes, or the Rivers of the Bible.

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The Magnolia, the Snow Flake, and Friendship's Offering—three beautiful gift books for the holidays.

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Fine illustrated editions of Tupper's Proverbial Philosophy, Tupper's, Wordsworth's, Hemans', and Kirk White's Poetical Works. Lalla Rookh.

Also, a large assortment of Holiday Gift Books for CHILDREN. de23

New Stock of Chickering's Piano Fortes.

JOHN H. MELLOR, 81 Wood st., has just received, an entirely new stock of PIANO FORTES, from the celebrated manufactory of Chickering, Boston, at Factory prices, viz:

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| No. 1, | One 6 octave Rosewood | | $275 |
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| 7, | Carved Rosewood | | 450 |
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| 9, | " | " | 450 |
| 10, | Louis XIVth | | 450 |
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| 13, | Full Grand | | 450 |
| 14, | Rosewood | | 450 |

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| 19, | " | do. | 250 |
| 20, | " | Woodward & Brown, | 300 |
| 21, | " | do. | 300 |
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